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PREFATORY NOTE

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DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK OF 1721

(VOLUME No. 52.)

[*From January* 2 *to December* 31.]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1720-21*——

The Consultation and Diary Book of Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Govern^r. &c^a. Councill their proceedings & transactions in the Affairs of the Honble. United Compa^y. of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell. Begun this 2^d. day of January 1720-21.

Ship Brittania Capt. John Powney arr^d. from Siam. JANUARY 2^D.

AT A CONSULTATION

Pres^t.

TUESDAY 3^D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R.	PRESID^T. & GOV^R.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Gen^ll Letter from the Presid^t. & Council of Bengall read.

Generall Letter from the President and Council of Bengall ℘ Ships Duke of Cambridge and Derby dated the 13th. ult^o. read to inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for stores & Wares sent upon them, also two letters from M^r. Thomas Phillips dated the 18th. advis^g. his dispatch^g. said Ships from Pipley the same day.

M^r. Theobalds delivers in a paper in answer to the ord^r. of the Secr^y. for paym^t. of 220 Pag^s. out of Capt. Godwin's Estate hav^g. no more than 57. 3 64. [He] desires leave to pay it into the hands of the Govr. & Council to be disposed of by y^m. as they shall see convenient.

M^r. Thomas Theobalds delivers in a paper (as enter'd after this Consultation) representing that he had rec^d. an order from the Secretary for payment of two hundred and twenty Pagodas to Major John Roach out of the Estate of Capt. Freak Godwin dec^d. but that he having no more than Pagodas 57. 3. 64 in his hands belonging to the said Estate he therefore desires liberty to pay the said sum to the Govr. and Council and y^t. they would dispose of it as it seems to them most Convenient.

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Mr. Theobalds to pay the abovesd. Sum into the Mayrs. Court that ea of Capt Godwins Creditors may be entitled to a dividend as well of this as of all other effects.

ORDER'D that Mr. Tho. Theobalds do pay the sum of Pagodas 57. 3. 64 into the Mayors Court, that Major John Roach and the rest of the Creditors may receive their proportion as well of this as of all other Effects wch. may hereafter appear to be due to the said Estate.

Pags. 3000 [to] be advanc'd the Paymastr.

ORDER'D that 3000 Pagodas be advanc'd to Nathaniel Turner Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

333 : 12 paid in by the Arrack Farmer.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays in pags. 333. 12. for last months rent of that Farm.

Capt. Mawson wantg. a further supply of Salt Petre, the Warehousekr. to send ten Tons aboard his Ship.

Capt. William Mawson Commandr. of Ship Cardonel delivers in his request (as enter'd after this Consultation) for ten tons of Salt Petre wch. is necessry. to make his Ship sail Worthy.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeepr. do comply wth. Capt. Mawsons request by sending aboard the Cardonel ten tons of Salt Petre.

The Southerly winds being set in already wch. will render it impracticable to send the Bridgwater to fill up at Fort St. David, Its Agreed to write to the Depty. Govr. & Council there to send up all the bales they have on hand by any good conveyance.

The southerly winds setting in so soon ys. year will render it impracticable for the Bridgewater if she should arrive from China in few days, as she is expected, to go down to Fort St. David to take in her Loading, AGREED that we write to the Depty. Governr. and Council there, to send up what bales they have on hand upon any good Vessell that Offers.

The Presidt. acquaints the Board of Mr. Hills havg. been with him to make an Apology for the Paper dd to ye. Board the last Consultation.

The President acquaints the board that Mr. John Hill had been wth. him to make an Apoligy for the Paper deliver'd in the last Consultation assuring him that he never design'd any disrespect to the board & withall requesting That we would take his Petition for going to Engld. on the Mary into Consideration.

Mr. Hill havg. made his Submission & given us an Accot. of his leaving the Factory at Mocha, Its Agreed to permit him to go for Engld. on the Mary.

AGREED as Mr. Hill has made his Submission to the President and to the whole board for the Paper he delivd. in and as he has in that Paper given us an accot. of his leaving the Factory at Mocha and the reasons that induc'd him to come to this Coast that we permit him to take his passage on the Mary according to his desire.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOS. WRIGHT.

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To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.

President & Governr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Srs.

Finding the Kentilage I have aboard Ship Cardonnel will not be sufficient to make her sail Worthy I request your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to order me ten tons of salt petre more. I am

Honble. Srs.

Yor. Most Obedt. & Hum. Servt.

Willm. Mawson.

Margaret Galley Capt. Brown arrd. from Metchlepatm. 3d.

Receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 4th. 4th.

Ship Bon Voyage Sawny Capt. Willison from Malacca. —

Ship Jewn Labdeen Mahomud Ismaul saild to Fort St. David. 7

Brigte. Lusitania Capt. Jno. Underwood saild to do. 8

Ship Bridgewater Capt. Edwd. Williamson from China. 9

At a Consultation

Prest.

Monday 9th.

Francis Hastings Esqr.	Prest. & Govr.
Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nathll. Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Our Honble. Masters Ship Bridgewater arriving this day from China an order is sign'd to Capt. Edwd. Williamson to send ashore what Treasure and other goods were aboard his ship consign'd to this place.

The Bridgwater arriving this day from China an ordr. is sign'd for the Capt. to send ashore the Treasure &ct. aboard his Ship.

The Accomptant produces the Generall Books Letter S ending in Aprill to go by ship Duke of Cambridge & Mary wch. are sign'd together with all other necessry. Papers.

The Accompt. delivers in the Genll. Books &ct. papers to be sent to England.

Petitions of Thomas Theobalds, Edwd. Bell Junior and Major John Roach read (as enter'd after this Consultation) desiring liberty to take their Passages on Ships Derby and Cardonnel wch. are granted.

Petitions of Messrs. Bell, Theobalds & Roach desiring Liberty to go for England read and granted.

Generall Letter from the Depty. Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 4th. read, to inclose their Cash accot. for last month and their List of demands for Medicines from Europe, also their Consultations and Diarys to the ulto. December.

Fort St. David Genll. Lettr. read.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Pagodas 280. 9. 10.

Land Customrs. Accot. for last month read.

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Sev^{ll}. Sums paid into Cash for Bills of Exchange.

The following Sums being offer'd to be paid into the Companys Cash the same were accepted and the bills sign'd Viz^{t}.

	Pag.	fa.	Ca.
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Major John Roach payable to himself or order at 9^{sh}. ℘ Pag^{a}.	8000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d} to M^{rs}. Diana Robson payable to Capt. Matthew Martin or order	253	24	42
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Thomas Wright pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Robt. Lacy Sugar Baker in Mark lane	88	32	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Francis Hastings Esqr. payable to Thomas Pitt Esqr. or order	229	1	40
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Turner Junr. pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Turner Senr. or order	1200	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Richard Benyon payable to M^{r}. John Legg or order	10000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Richard Benyon pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Thomas Bulkley or order	1250	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Richard Benyon payable to M^{r}. Thomas Maule or order	773	3	57
1. 2. 3 & 4th. to William Jennings Esqr. payable to Edwd. Jennings Esqr. and M^{r}. Henry Hoare	4000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Thomas Theobalds pay^{ble}. to himself or order	10000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Richard Benyon pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Thomas Bulkley or ord^{r}.	1250	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{rs}. Diana Robson payable to M^{r}. Francis Walker or order	180	7	77
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Richard Horden payable to M^{r}. William Dawkins or ord^{r}.	111	4	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Capt. William Mawson payable to himself or order	329	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Mr. Richard Horden and Lieu^{t}. Alex^{r}. Fullerton pay^{ble}. to M^{rs}. Jane Skirvin or order ...	1000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Benyon pay^{ble}. to John & Isabella Teshmaker or order	806	12	—
Pag^{s}.	39471	13	56

The Paym^{r}. to muster the Ships men.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do muster The men belonging to Ships Duke of Cambridge, Mary, Derby & Cardonnel.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO^{S}. WRIGHT

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF EDW^{D}. BELL

SHEWETH

That your Petition^{r}. hav^{g}. some affairs in England to transact wch. require his Presence there he therefore desires Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Permission to take his Passage on the Derby now bound thither and Your Petition as in Duty bound shall ever Pray &c^{a}.

EDW^{D}. BELL JUN^{R}.

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TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASIINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THOMAS THEOBALDS

SHEWETH

That your Petitioner Finding it Convenit. for his affairs to go to England by the first opportunity desires your Honr. &cas. permission to take his Passage on Ship Derby for England, and that the Honble. Governour will give ye. accustomary order to the Capt. for receiving him and his Family wth. their necessarys aboard And Your Petitioner Shall ever Pray &ca.

THO: THEOBALDS.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF JOHN ROACH

SHEWETH

That Your Petitioner being desirous of going to England as soon as possible requests Your Honr. &ca. Permission to take his Passage on the Cardonel now bound thither and that you'l be pleas'd to give the accustomary order to the Capt. for receiving him and his Family wth. their necessarys aboard And Your Petitr. as in Duty Bound Shall Ever Pray &ca.

JOHN ROACH.

Recd. 2 Genll. Letters from the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 15 & 16 of Decr. 11

Ship Brittania Capt. Wm. Crossing saild to Fort St. David. 12

AT A CONSULTATN.

Prest.

THURSDAY 12TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Two Genll. Lettrs. fro Anjengo read.

Two Generall Letters from the Cheif & Council of Anjango dated the 15th. & 16th. of December to inclose copys of severall Letters from Mr. Addams at Callicutt advising of two Pyrates near Cochin who had lately taken Capt. Tawke in a Ketch belongs. to that place.

Fort St. David Cash Acct. for Decr. reported to be right.

The Accomptant reports the Fort St. David Cash Account for last month to be right.

Sea Customrs. Acct. for Decr. read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

Custom on goods imported & exported	280	29	52
Do. on grain	81	25	12
Anchorage	13	—	—
Pags.	375	18	64

Ballce. due fro him 1866. 6 58.

Ballance due from him Pagodas 1866. 6. 58 wch. he now pays in.

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The Supra Cargoes of Ship Bridgwatr. deliver in their Books wch. are deliver'd to the Accompt.

Messrs. Morton & Carter Supra Cargos of Ship Bridgewater appear before the board and deliver in their books of accompts wth. the Invoice and bill of lading for the Cargo wch. are all deliver'd to the Accomptant to be examin'd and reported.

The Storekr. acquaints the Board of Capt. Mawsons refusing to pay for the stores shipt aboard him for Fort St. David & not deliver'd by him there.

The Storekeeper acquaints the board that he had severall times demanded of Capt. Mawson the mony for the Stores wch. were put aboard his Ship and not deliver'd by him at Fort St. David who refuses payment by reason as he says that they were all sent from the ship as his Officers can testify. But the Depty. Govr. and Council have. sent us the accot. of the deficiency and debted us for the same The Capt. was call'd in & order'd to pay it wth.out furth delay.

The Europe Commanders call'd before the Board & their opinions ask'd as to ye. danger of their meeting with the Pirates in their Passage home.

The dispatch of the Europe ships being taken into consideration, The Commanders were calld in & their opinion ask'd concerng. the daingr. they are in of meetg. wth. the Pyrates who reply'd that their going together would be for their mutual Security and that If we could spare them a few European Soldiers who wth. their fire arms would be of great service in case they should be attack'd by them when the Sailors might be employ'd in managing the great Guns.

The Military officers deliver in their report of the condition of the Garrison.

The said Commandrs. being dismiss'd & the aforesd. proposalls duly considerd wth. respect to the weakness of the Garrison thrô sickness & other accidents The Military officers were call'd in and ask'd how many men could possibly be spar'd on such an occasion who desird leave to withdraw and to deliver their opinions in Writing wch being read are enter'd after this Consultation, whereupon the board came to the resolution that t'was impracticable to spare the Quantitys of men the Captains wanted for fear of any misfortune yt. may hereafter happen.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOS. WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

Your Honr. was pleas'd to demand our opinion whether it would be consistent with the safety of the Garrison to send a detachment of Soldiers on board the Honble. Company's Ships as far as the Cape or St. Helena for the better Security of them from the Pyrates.

We presumed then to remind your Honr. of the ill state of the Garrison in respect to Europeans both as to the smallness of their number, the continual sickness and mortality without any recruiting them.

Your Honr. then propos'd sending half Europeans and half Topazes but we hear the Capt. had much rather have none than Topazes whose sight they say will rather encourage an Enemy than not.

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Therefore we presume to lay before your Hon^{r}. the impossibility of sparing any number of Europe Soldiers that can be of much service when distributed into four ships.

We are

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{r}.

Your most Obed^{t}. hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

Alex^{r}. Fullerton.

John Gough.

Alex^{r}. Sutherland.

Fort St. George

Jan^{ry}. 13th. 1720/1.

At a Consultation

Pres$_{t}$.

Thursday 19th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr.

Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid . reads the Mint acco^{t}. for last month, ballance due from him Pagodas 2. 10. 50.

Mint Acco^{t}. for last month read.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays in Pag^{s}. 583. 12. for last months rent of that Farm.

[Rent of] the Tobacco [Farm p^{d}. in].

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Callicutt dated the 17th. read to advise that the Pyrates were still hovering ab^{t}. Cochin.

Callicut Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. read.

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 18th. ins^{t}. ꝑ Rama to inclose Invoice & bill of Loading for 70 bales sent hither upon her.

Fort S^{t}. David Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. read.

Generall Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors was read & approv'd, also a letter to them in ans^{r}. to their accompt^{ts}. Letter.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to the Court of Direct^{rs}. read, approv'd & signd, also one in answ^{r}. to their Accomptants.

Generall Letter to the Govr. and Council of S^{t}. Hellena read and sign'd as also one to Edward Harrison & Osm^{d}. Beavoir Esq^{rs}. & the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Lewis in answer to what they wrote us concern^{g}. our remitting to them the Ballance of the Estate of the Widow Fleetwood deceas'd.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to S^{t}. Helena read and signd, also one to Edwd. Harrison, Osmond Beavoir Esq^{rs}. and M^{r}. Lewis in relation to the Widow Fleetwoods Estate.

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The Paym^{r}. delivers in Muster rolls of the 4 Ships Men.

The Paymaster having musterd the men belonging to Ships Duke of Cambridge Mary, Derby & Cardonnel produces their Muster rolls wch. are as follow.

Duke of Cambridge	80 men
Mary	90 —
Derby	91 —
Cardonnel	60 —

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

19 Ship Hartford Capt. Francis Nelly Comm^{r}. arr^{d}. from Great Brittain.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY 20TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from y^{e}. Court of Directors ℣ Hartford read, also that to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort Marlbrô.

Our Honble. Masters Ship Hertford arriving last night from Great Brittain but last from S^{t}. Hellena, Her Packet was now open'd and every thing therein found Conformable to the List, The Generall Letter from the Honble. Court of Directors dated the 11th. March was read as also one to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort Marlbro.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to the Court of Directors sign'd.

Generall Letter to the Honble. the Court of Directors was sign'd as also the Captains dispatches dated this day.

The Hartford to be unladen wth. all speed in ord^{r} to be dispatch'd for Europe.

ORDER'D that the Hertford be immediately unladen and that she be got in a readiness to receive in her cargo for Europe.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

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Ship Vincatash Woolabu Own^{r}. arrived from Roeta. 21

Ships Duke of Cambridge, Mary, Derby and Cardonnell (belonging to the Honble. Company) saild this evening for Great Brittain by each of whom were sent a Pacquet to the Honble. the Court of Directors with a Gen^{ll}. Letter dated the 20th. Instant. —

The Margaret Galley Frederick Browne sail'd to Fort S^{t}. David. 22

At a Consultation

Pres^{t}.

Monday 23^{D}.

Francis Hastings Esq^{R}.	Presid^{T}. & Gov^{R}.
Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke	Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Capt. Powney to be p^{d}. 1250 Pag^{s}. being for so much he p^{d}. the Barcalong of Siam more than he rec^{d}. besides the 1200 before receiv'd.

Capt. John Powney having represented to us that when he went last to Siam the late Presid^{t}. M^{r}. Collet impower'd him to accomodate the difference there wth. the Barcolong in relation to the Junk wch. the Ann took in China and y^{t}. in order thereto he had paid the sum of Pag^{s}. 1250, and taken a full discharge and the said Capt. Powney having requested us to repay him that mony Its Agreed and Order'd that the sum of 1250 be paid him out of Cash We having advis'd Our Honble. Masters of it in our last Generall Letter.

Storekr^{s}. Acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 1681. 27. 55.

Fort S^{t}. David Gen^{ll}. Letters read.

Three Generall Letters from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David read, dated the 18th. ins^{t}. ℘ Ships Brittania, Jiun Labbadeen and Brigintine Lewis to inclose their Invoices and bills of Lading for bales sent upon them.

Petition of Jno. Fotheringham read desiring Liberty to land a parcell of Goods & to relade them without paying Customs his Vessell being leaky & thereby his Goods being liable to damage.

Petition of John Fotheringham read desiring Liberty to land a parcell of Goods from the Mary Ann Galley wch. are liable to damage thrô the leakiness of the Vessell & to relade them again wth.out paying Custom.

Order'd that the said John Fotheringham has (according to his reqst.) liberty to bring ashoare the said Goods and to reship what he can't dispose of wth.out paying Custom. The said Petiti^{n}. is enter'd after this Consultation.

Paym^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	1958	26	40
Charges Generall	837	8	75
Charges Cattle	155	27	35
New Warehouse	54	19	—
Charges Extraord^{ry}.	33	23	—
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortificat^{s}.	326	7	35
Charges diet	480	22	70
Diet & stores l^{d}. in	637	3	34
Bombay Presidency	123	8	20
Horse Furniture	11	30	—
Pag^{s}. ...	4628	32	69

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Ball^{ce}. due to him 3152. —. 57.

Ballance due to him Pagodas 3152. —. 57 Ca. which is order'd to be paid him.

The Extraordinary Expence examin'd into.

Upon examining the Extraord^{ry}. expences for last month We find them to arise from the following perticulars.

CHARGES GENERALL for presents at Xstm^{s}. to y^{e}. Smiths, Carpent^{rs}. Bricklay^{rs}. Mooches &c^{a}. and White washing y^{e}. Companys Lodgings & Cloths to y^{e}. Portugueze Padres as usual	124	17	—
NEW WAREHOUSE for Materials & Workmen	54	19	—
CHARGES EXTRAORD^{RY}. for diet to prison^{rs}. water for y^{e}. Sold^{rs}. at Egmore & five Choultrys & provisn^{s}. to y^{e}. Bombay Soldiers on their Voyage to Bombay on y^{e}. London	33	23	--
DIEU ISLAND for wages to y^{e}. Gunners mate	10	—	—
HORSE FURNITURE	11	30	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for three months advance mony to 16 soldiers y^{t}. were landed here on y^{e}. William ...	123	8	20
Pags.	357	25	20

Petition of R. Benyon read, in behalf of M^{r}. Mitchell in Bengall.

Petition of Richard Benyon in behalf of M^{r}. Philip Mitchel in Bengall setting forth that Capt. Gamon Command^{r}. of the Catherine wch. was lost on Carango Point had in his possession to the value of two thousand Checquins in rupees belonging to the said M^{r}. Mitchel and y^{t}. since y^{e}. loss of said ship, he had severall times demanded of Capt. Gamon an acco^{t}. of said mony, but not receiving a satisfactory ans^{r}. thereto, he requests that Capt. Gamon be called before the board, and order'd to render an acco^{t}. whether the said treasure or any part thereof was sav'd.

Capt. Gamon delivers in a paper relating the loss of y^{e}. Catherine.

Capt. Gamon being call'd in and interrogated concerning M^{r}. Philip Mitchells mony, delivers in a paper (as enter'd after this Consultation) represent^{g}. that after he had met wth. the misfortune of loosing his Ship he thought it his duty to use the best of his endeav^{rs}. for saving the treasure that was aboard and that he could not think of taking more proper measures than breaking open severall of the Chests and delivering the mony that was therein to the Lascars for the greater security (as he beloivd) of carrying it ashoare, But that to add to the misfortune the Lascars threw the mony off the raft (on wch. they went) into the sea, That there was one Chest of Silver sav'd in the boat seal'd wth. M^{r}. Fotheringhams seal, besides one bag markd W. K. belong^{g}. to M^{r}. Wright, and some Gold of the owners wch. M^{r}. Fotheringham receiv'd of M^{r}. Symonds.

M^{r}. Fotheringham calld in & interrogated concerning the affair.

M^{r}. Fotheringham being call'd in & ask'd what he knew of the affair deliver'd much the same as above wch. the board think^{s}. too imperfect to make any Judgement of, ORDERD Capt. Gamon to deliver in Writ^{g}. an ample relat^{n} of the misfortune as well as a more perfect acco^{t}. of the mony that was sav'd by next Consultation.

Capt. Gamon orderd to deliver in a more perfect acco^{t}. of the money that was sav'd.

Capt. Williamson requests 500 bags of Salt Petre

Capt. Edward Williamson delivers in a Pap^{r}. as enter'd after this Consultat^{n}. requesting 500 bags of Salt Petre might be put aboard the Bridgewater to make her sail Worthy.

The Warehousek^{r}. to comply with his request.

ORDERD that the Warehousekeep^{r}. do send aboard the Bridgewater 500 bags of Salt Petre accord^{g}. to the Captains request.

Capt. Nelly delivers in a paper relating to the Condition of Ship Hartford.

Capt. Francis Nelly Command^{r}. of Ship Hertford delivers in a paper (as enter'd after this Consultat^{n}.) relat^{g}. to the bad condition of his ship and his want of Salt provisions thrô the tediousness of his Voy^{a}. Withal representing his Ship to be so bad a Sailour upon a Wind y^{t}. he is fearfull of saving his passage round the Cape all wch. being duly debated and maturely consider'd Its AGREED, that as We have bales

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enô upon the Coast for to dispatch the Ship Hartford in time for Great Brittain notwth.standg. his reasons to the Contrary wch. only seem to evade his being sent immediately home, we can by no means answr. keeping her to lye on demorage and yt. It would argue a great neglect in us and tend much to the Prejudice of our Honble. Masters both in respect of payg. demorage & their not having the goods for an early sale If we should keep her here when we can wth. somuch ease dispatch her early enuff to get her passage. It is therefore resolv'd & ORDER'D that the Warehousekeepr. do's lose no time in loadg. the Hartford for Great Brittain and yt. the Commander Capt. Nelly be acquainted wth. this our resolution accordingly.

The Warehousekr. to load the Hartford with all speed & the Commandr. to be advisd of it.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CR. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Having been informed of your Honr. &cts. resolution to dispatch the Ship Hartford for Great Brittain the latter end of this month or the beginning of the next I think my self in duty bound to acquaint you of the Condition of said Ship and of ye. improbability of taking in the Cargo by the time you may expect.

My Ship being taken up by Charterparty for St. Helena and the West Coast but by the misfortune of Bencoolen order'd to this place, the tedious passage we had to St. Helena and from thence hither occasion'd so great a Consumption of my Salt Provisions that I shall find it a difficult matter to get a supply in the little time I am to stay here. Besides my Ship having been fourteen months off the Ground by which her decks are render'd very leaky and her Upper Works, Sails, Rigging, & Water Casks so much out of Repair which I cant propose to finish in less than twenty days & that will be the soonest I shall be able to begin to take in my Lading for Europe your Honr. &et. will by this be judges of ye. time I can possibly be ready to receive my dispatches and of the unlikelyhood there is of saving my Passage round the Cape my ship sailing so very heavy upon a Wind, that if the Westerly winds should blow so very strong as they usually do at that time of the year, & if my people who have been very sick thrô the tediousness of the Voyage should relapse I must then be forc'd to bear away for some of the adjacent Islands or else return hither the Consequence of which I submit to yr. honr. &ets. consideration & Remain with all deference

FORT ST. GEOR. — HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

23D. JANRY. 1720/1. — Yor. most obedt. Humble. Servant,

FRANCIS NELLY.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CR. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE REPRESENTATION OF NICHOLAS GAMON CONCERNING THE MONEY & EFFECTS BELONGG. TO MR. PHILIP MITCHELL IN BENGALL ON SHIP CATHERINE.

The Ship Catherine being lost & I the said Nicholas Gamon endeavouring (as I thot. I was in duty bound to do) to save what Treasure was on board her broke open severall of the Chests and deliver'd the Bags that were in them to the people

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whom I design'd to go upon stages in hopes to save the same as aforesaid upon and off & from which the same was lost and one chest of Treasure wch. was sav'd in the Boat in which we went ashore was seal'd with Mr. Fotheringhams seal.

There was also one bag which was brot. by one of the Lascars markt W. K. belonging to Mr. Wright.

There was also some Gold sav'd which Mr. Fotheringham had of Mr. Symonds at Vizagapm. which belong'd to the Owners of sd. Ship Catherine.

I am Yr. Honr. & Council's

most humble. & Obedr. Servant

NICHOLAS GAMON.

AT A CONSULTATION

Prest.

THURSDAY 26TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDr. GOVr.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATH: TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

Metchlepm. Genll. Letter read.

Generall Letter from Mr. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatam read dated the 2d. Inst. to inclose his accot. Expences for last month as also severall Deposits. relating to the Dutch molesting them wth. a full narrative of that affair.

[50000 Pags. pd. in by the W: H: Kr.] Accot. Silver sold.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeepr. pays in Pags. 50,000 acco. Silver sold.

The Warehousekr. to affix notes to give notice of the disposall of the China cargo.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper affixes notes at the usual places for exposing the Bridgewaters Cargo at Outcry on Monday next.

Land Customr. pays in his last month's Ballce.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in the ballance of his Last months accot. being Pags. 280. 9. 10.

Capt. Nelly requests the usuall allowance of Salt Petre.

Capt. Francis Nelly Commander of Ship Hertford delivers in a Paper (as enterd after this Consultn) desiring the Quantity of Salt Petre agreed on by Charterparty & promisg. to carry the Iron Kentilage already aboard on his Owners accot. wth.out demandg. any freight for it on his arrival in England wch. is agreed to.

Vizagapm. Cash Accots. reported to be right.

The Accomptant reports that the Vizagapatam Cash accots. for the months of Sepr. Octr. & Novembr. are found right.

Journall Parcells for Novr. read.

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcells for the month of November.

234 Pags. paid in by the Secry. for permission of Passage to sevll. Persons.

Thomas Wright Secretary pays in Pags. two hundred and thirty four for Permission of Passage to Mr. Ballet & his Wife, Robert Dymond, George Drake, John Hill, Marcus Moses, Thomas Theobalds & his Wife and Edward Bell on Ships Godfrey, Hannover, Mary & Derby at 26 pagodas Each.

Generall Letters read Vizt.

Bombay Genll. Lettr. read.

From the President and Council of Bombay dated the 9th. of December 1720 advising of Capt. Mackraes being arriv'd there in a ship the Pyrates gave him, of their late Success agst. Angria by burning two large ships, severall Galleys that were on the Stocks besides two of his Grabs, and of their intended Expedition Against the Pyrates as likewise of their having sent the Tartar Brigte. wth. advices to our Honble. Masters.

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They also acquaint us that M^{r}. John Hill late Cheif of Mocha had without their orders came on a Ship hither and not having settled acco^{ts}. wth. the Honble. Company and private persons in the manner he ought. They hope we will not permit him to take his Passage for Great Brittain on any of our ships bound thither.

They desire us not to permit Mr. Hill to take his passage upon any of our Ships he not havg. setled Accots. wth. ye. Honble. Company & private Persons.

The said M^{r}. Hill being already gone for Europe on the Mary tis not in our power to comply wth. what the President & Council write us concerning him. But We being suspicious before he embark'd that he had not left his Cheifship at Mocha wth. the approbation of his Superiours We call'd upon him to deliver an acco^{t}. in writing how he Left the said Factory at Mocha wth. the reasons that Induc'd him thereto wch. he comply'd wth. as will appear by our Consultations of the 22^{d}. & 29th. Decr. therefore we granted him liberty to take his passage on the Mary and advis'd our Honble. Masters of our proceedings thereupon.

Mr. Hill being gone already for Europe puts it out of our power to comply wth. what they write us, howevr. Its

Agreed that we acquaint the Honble. Comp^{y}. in our Letter by the Bridgewater of what the Presid^{t}. and Council of Bombay write us in relation to M^{r}. Hills not having made up acco^{ts}. wth. them and his leaving their Factory at Mocha & coming to this place contrary to order that we may know their sentiments thereon & receive directions how to behave our selves in such cases for the future.

Agreed to advise the Honble. Compa. in our Lettr. ℘ the Bridgwatr. of this affair in ordr. to know how to behave our Selves in such cases for the future.

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 22 ℘ Sloop Amity to inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for 40 bales of Callicos sent hither upon her.

Fort St. David Genll. Lettr. read.

Colloway & Vinkety Chitty late farmers of Egmore &c^{t}. Villages being indebted Pag^{s}. 1785 for the rent of that Farm and having been severall times call'd to pay the said Sum̃, they have declin'd doing [it &] they alledge that the Drought for the last three years has been the occasion of their not making near the [sum] they are oblig'd to pay by their Cowle. The said Farmers being again call'd in and the mony demanded of them [they] deliver in an acco^{t}. of what the said Villages did [really] produce urging again that the rag^{g}. of the Famine by the want of rain was the reason they could make no more and that they hop'd we would abide by that Acco^{t}. as they did in the case of Conapa Chitty in y^{e}. year 1718.

Farmers of Egmore being indebted to the Company for ye. last years rent which has been severall [times] demanded of [them but] they plead [that the] late Famine occasion'd that [year] to bring [considerably] less profit [than] heretofore & [desire that] some allowance [may be made] on that accot.

The said affair being [debated] It is Agreed that If they take their Oath to y^{s}. [acco^{t}.] y^{t}. they have deliver'd in wch. is agreable to the [Contract made wth. them] in their Cowle and is what the Honble. Comp^{a}. seem'd [to have done] in the case of Conapa Chitty that we do [excuse them] the remainder wch. they were acquainted wth. [& order'd to] Attend next Consultat^{n}. for that purpose.

Agreed yt. if they [take] their oaths to [ye. accot.] dd. in we excuse the [remainder].

Capt. Gamon according to order [of last] Consultation delivers in a remonstrance (as enter'd [after] this) relating to his Misfortunes in Ship Catherine [setting] forth that after the said Ship Catherine had [been wreck'd] upon Carango Point they did what they [could to save] their Lives by making rafts wth. their Masts [& yards] and that the said Gamon and the Gunner [put into] their boat (wch. was much damag'd)

Capt. Gamon delivers in a remonstrance concerning ye. loss of Ship Catherine.

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two Chests [of treasure] intending to carry it ashoare but believing it [to be] a Weight for the boat they reship'd one of the Chests and Order'd that wth. the others to be open'd and divided in Small Parcells amongst the Lascars for the greater security (as they thought) of carrying it ashoare, but the Lascars fearfull of Sinking wth. the weight left some of the mony aboard, others threw it off the rafts and others [when] they got ashoare ran into the Woods two of wº. were [appre]hended wth. about eight hundred Rupees abt. them, Some [of] the other Lascars had Gold wth. about two hundred Rupees more, And as they were going to the Dutch Settlement [of] Dasharoon they found upon searching them two hundred Rupees more in all abt. 1200 Rupees Madrass & Surrat besides a bag of Dollars mark'd W. K. The Chest of treasure sav'd in the boat had Mr. Fotheringhams [seal] upon it wch. wth. the Gold Mr. Fotheringham Receiv'd of Mr. Symonds and the 1200 Rupees before recited amg̃. in all to abt. 4000 Pagodas (the bag of dollars excepted) were paid into the Dutch Companys Cash at Dasharoon for wch. they had bills given them upon their Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam.

[...] Mr. Fotheringham being again sent [for was asked] to whom that chest of treasure [belong'd and if any] seal was on it who reply'd yt it was the [owners] and never was open'd since he went from hence till he got to Ing[eram] and yt. it was his own seal upon the Chest. He then was ask'd how much mony was sav'd in the small parcells deliver'd to the Lascars aboard Ship and whither they were Madrass or Surat Rupees and whither the Owners mony was in both Madrass and Surat or Surat Rupees only, to wch. he ansd. that he beleiv'd the whole Sum̃ sav'd was about 1200 Rupees but could not exactly tell because he paid it promiscuously wth. his other mony to the Dutch, That he very well remembers they were most part of them were Surat Rupees, and yt. his Owners mony was almost all in that specie but yt. the Madrass Rupees did belong to Mr. Mitchell in Bengall, to several others in this place and to the said Owners of Ship Catherine. He was then ask'd If he could not Guess what Quantity of Surat Rupees were in ye. Sum̃ of 1200 Rupees, who reply'd that as soon as the Lascars brot̃ them he put them promiscuously among his other mony and that he was under so great a Con[cern] for the misfortune of losing the ship and afterwards a great deal of mony by the villany of his lascars who ran into the [woods] & hid themselves that he did not take notice of that particular but that he is sure there were more Surat than Madrass Rupees.

Mr. Fotheringham & Capt. Gamon to deliver their depositions in form & to take their oaths to the truth of ym.

The said John Fotheringham & Nicolas Gamon being wth.drawn The whole affair was debated & Consider'd, And as the Depositions deliver'd in by the aforesd. Gentlemen are of no validity till such time that they sware to the truth of every perticular allegation [&] consequently till then we can pass no Judgement upon them It is therefore Agreed and order'd that the said Fotheringham and Nicolas Gamon do as well for the satisfaction of the Owners as for all persons concern'd [swear] to what they have deliver'd in, that it be drawn up in [Form] & Subscribed by them and that it be enter'd after this Consultation. Mr. Fotheringham & Capt. Gamon were then call'd in and acquainted wth. this our resolution accordingly.

Messrs. Benyon and Carter's Petitions taken into Consideration in relation to an Average on the Salvage of the Treasure.

The board taking into Consideration the Petitions of Messrs. Benyon & Carter relating to what Average might become due to them from the treasure wch. was sav'd after the Loss of said ship Catherine The [aforesd.] John Fotheringham was call'd in & acquainted that it was the opinion of every body that the Gentlemen who had Rupees aboard should come in for a part of what [was] sav'd whereupon he offer'd his Oath that above half of the 1200 Rupees were Surat and yt. no body had any aboard but the Owners.

Mr. Fotheringham offering his oath yt. above half of ye. Rupees were Surat It is ordd. that six hundred be pd. to the Ownrs. & ye. other brot. to an Average.

As Mr. Fotheringham has offer'd his Oath that above half of the Rupees were Surat and belong'd to the Owners We think it reasonable that six of the twelve hundred should be paid to them and the other six hundred be brôt to An Average betwixt Messrs. Benyon & Carter and the said Owners of ship Catherine wch. was order'd accordingly.

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Mr. Fotheringham then acquainted the board that he had been at a great charge during the time he was at the Wreck endeavourg. to save the treasure and other goods, and that he had sav'd a bag of Silver belongg. to Capt. [Kel...] wth. Severall other things belonging to Gentlemen of this place, desir'd to know what Salvage we would order the respective proprietors to pay him wch. being debated it was AGREED we do by no means interpose in that affair but that we leave it to the Persons concern'd to decide it amongst themselves.

There having been for some time a want of a Surgeon at Vizagapatm. and Mr. Rider Surgeon of the Bridgewater offering his Service to go down thither, It is AGREED that he takes his passage on the first Vessell bound thither and that he be entertain'd at the usual pay. Mr. Rider Doctr. of the Bridgwatr. to be sent Surgeon to Vizagapm.

ORDER'D that pa. 300 be sent to Mr. Humphry Holcomb at Metchlepatm. as a supply for his Cash. 300 Pags. to be sent to Metchlepatam.

FRA: HASTINGS
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOS. WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

As you have been pleas'd to order ship Hartford directly for England I humbly request you'l please to allow her such Kentilage as is accustomary from ys. Port being willing to carry home my Iron Kentilage on ye. Ownrs. accot. wth.out the usual allowce. of freight. I am wth. respect

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

FORT ST. GEORGE, Yor. Most Obedt. Humble. Servant

26 JANUARY 17$\frac{20}{1}$. FRANCIS NELLY.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

WHEREAS on the 7th. of November at f[ive] in the morning the Ship Catherine struck on the Point of Carango about six miles from the Land and finding it impossible to get her off we made stages wth. our Masts and Yards for to endeavr. to save our lives, the sea running [very] high and our boat being stav'd almost to peices, not one of the Lascars would venture to go in her on wch. my self & Gunner put two Chests of treasure into her by order of Mr. Fotheringham but being the opinion of all that the weight was too great for a boat in such a Condition and so great a sea therefore thought the mony would be more secure on the Stages for wch. orderd one Chest to be taken out of the boat and that wth. the others open'd and divided amongst the lascars but they being afraid yt. the weight would be too great left some of the mony aboard & when they were coming ashoare they said that the stages were like to sink, therefore they threw the great[er] part of the mony into the water & what they brôt ashoare some of them ran into the woods two of wo. I apprehended four or five days after the loss of the Ship wth. abt. 800 Rupees, Some others of the Lascars

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brought Gold & amongst them I found ab^{t}. two hundred Rupees and after the said [Lascars] were sent to the Dutch ffactory at Datcharoon M^{r}. Fotheringham searcht them and told me y^{t}. he found ab^{t}. two hundred Rupees more ab^{t}. them besides one bag of Dollars Marked W. K. the greatest part of the Rupees wch. was taken from the Lascars were Surat and the one Chest of Treasure wch. we brôt in the boat wth. us was seald wth. M^{r}. Fotheringhams seal and what Gold we sav'd M^{r}. Fotheringham told me he had of M^{r}. Symonds at Vizagap^{a}. wth. an order to receive y^{e}. amo^{t}. of it in Rupees from M^{r}. Horden all wch. mony M^{r}. Fotheringham paid in[to] the Dutch Companys Cash at Datcharoon (the bag of Dollars excepted) amounting to 4000 Pagodas and [took bills] for the same on y^{e}. Cheif at Metchlepat^{m}. this is as perticular an acco^{t}. as I'm able to give of this affair for Gentlem^{n}. you must needs imagine in w^{t}. consternat^{a}. people are in such misfortunes & therefore I humbly leave it to y^{r}. Considerat^{n}. & am wth. all respect

Hon^{BLE}. S^{R}. &c^{A}.

Jan^{RY}. 26TH. 17$\frac{20}{1}$.

Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Servt.

N. Gamon.

At a Consultation

Pres^{t}.

Tuesday 31ST.

Francis Hastings Esq^{R}. Presid^{T} & Gov^{R}.

Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Import Warehousek^{rs}. acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousek^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 78174. 28. 73 of wch. he pays in pag^{s}. 27604. 32. 23 in full for Siver sold.

Export Warehousek^{rs}. acco^{t}. for Decr. read.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeeper reads that acco^{t}. for last month, ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 63. 20. 28.

Pag^{s}. 1647 : 18 to be advanc'd [the] Warehousek^{r}.

Ordered that Thomas Cooke Export Warehousek^{r}. be adv^{d}. Pag^{s}. 1647. 18. on the following acc^{t}.

to pay y^{e}. painters	900	—	—
to provide Ginghams	747$\frac{1}{2}$	—	—
Pag^{s}.	1647	18	—

Ships Bridgwat^{r}. and Hartford [t]heir Treasure reported to be right.

Messrs. Cooke, Benyon & Emmerson deliver in their report (as enterd after this Consultation) setting forth that they had weigh'd and Examin'd the Treasure ℔ Ships Bridgewater & Hartford & that they find it come out according to Invoice.

Fort S^{t}. David Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. read.

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 27th. ins^{t}. to inclose their Cash and Merch^{ts}. acco^{t}. for last month.

Comm^{r}. of y^{e}. Hartford requests 200 bags of [Salt] Petre.

Capt. Francis Nelly Commander of Ship Hartford deliv^{rs}. in a request (as enterd after this Consultation) desir^{s}. 200 bags of Salt Petre more than the Charter-party allowance in order to make his Ship sail Worthy wch. is granted.

Petition of Robt. Woolley read and granted.

Robert Wooley del^{rs}. in a petition (as enter'd after this Consultat^{n}.) desiring liberty to lay [down] the Honble. Companys service & to embark for Great Brittain on the Hartford now bound thither wch. is Granted.

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Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 6th. ins^{t}. advis^{g}. of the Arriv^{l}. of a Gallivat from the Fleet in quest of the Pyrates inform^{g}. that they had seen two of them at ab^{t}. four leagues distant & had given chace but they were ships that sail'd so well that they presently ran them out of sight.

Anjengo Gen^{ll}. Letter read.

The President thereupon proposes to the board to take it into consideration whither the driving the Pyrates of the other Coast may not force them to lie off Ceyloan or some other place more obnox[ious] to our trade and Whither the hyring of a Small Vessell to go and Cruize th[e]reab^{ts}. be not expedient to give intellig^{ce}. to all Ships belonging to our Honble. Masters and to others bound hither & to prevent their falling into their hands and he further adds that Gunner Hugonin had one fit for that purpose wch. he offers to let at a very reasonable rate.

The Presid^{t}. proposes (whether the sending a small Vessell to give notice to all ships bound hither of the Pirates) may not be necessary wch. is

Agreed that this affair be referr'd to the Presid^{t}. to determine as he sees most Convenient.

Agreed to be referr'd to the President.

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Moco Moco ℘ George Brigantine Dated the 26 Decemb^{r}. read, to accompany Inv^{o}. & bill of lading for Pepp^{r}. put ab^{d}. her, as also Consult^{ns}. Paymasters acco^{ts}. & other papers according to List.

Moco Moco Gen^{ll}. Letter ℘ Geo Brig read.

M^{r}. Joseph Walsh late Cheif of Moco Moco having been suspended by the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council there appears before the board & desires We would examine into the affair. Upon wch. severall Questions being put to him as well relating to his suspension as to other matters, He desir'd leave to deliver his answer in Writing by next Consultation.

M^{r}. Walsh appears before y^{e}. Board & sev^{ll}. questions being put [to] him, desires leave [to] deliver his Answer [in] writing by next Consultation.

The Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Moco Moco having drawn upon us severall bills for Mony rec^{d}. into the Honble. Companys Cash there, the same were accepted & orderd to be paid.

Bills of Exchange drawn by M^{r}. Pyke [&] Council accepted [&] orderd to be paid.

To M^{r}. Walsh 3 bills for pay^{ble}. to himself	£^{s}.	2000
To Isaak Pyke 3 d^{o}. for pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Horden	p^{s}. $\frac{8}{8}$	5588
To M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Smith 3 d^{o}. for pay^{ble}. to M^{r}. Horden.	p^{s}. $\frac{8}{8}$	937$\frac{1}{2}$
To M^{r}. Shelly for payable to M^{r}. Horden		186$\frac{1}{2}$

Fra: Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson
Joshua Draper.
Thos. Wright.

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To the Honble. Fra^s^. Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

We have examin'd y^e^. treasure y^t^. came by the Bridgewater from China and y^e^. Hartford from Great Brittain and find it comes right according to Invoice.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.
Yo^r^. Most Obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Servants

Fort S^t^. George
Jan^ry^. 31st 17 20/1.

Thos. Cooke.
Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.

To the Honble. Fra^s^. Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

My Charterparty allowance of Salt Petre being not sufficient to make my ship sail Worthy I request you will be pleas'd to order me 200 bags more. I am

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.
Yo^r^. Most Obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Servant

January 31st. 17 20/1.

Francis Nelly.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esq.
Presid^t^. & Govr. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Having an Invitation from my Friend[s] in England to return home, humbly request Yo^r^. Hon^r^. &c^a^. will be pleas'd to permit me to lay down the Honble. Companys service in order to embarque on the Hartford now bound thither.

I am
Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.
Yo^r^. Most Obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Servt.

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Robt. Wooley.

31 Brigan̄t Vinkatash Cashe Ramah arr^d^. from Ganjam.

Ship S^t^.Cruce Cojee Nethermoll Noquedah arr^d^. from Ditto.

February 5 Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson arr^d^. frô Fort S^t^. David.

— Sloop Amity Vera Tandell arrived from Ditto.

6 Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. from the Cheif and Council of Vizagap^m^. dated the 17th. Ult^o^.

— Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. from the Dep^ty^. Govr. & Council of Fort S^t^. David dated 3^d^. Ins^t^. ℘ Theana Brigantine.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR. — MONDAY 6TH.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. reads the accot. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ballce. remaining 118185. —. 1. (Ca.) — Cash Accot. for January read.

Richard Benyon Land Customr. reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 198. 20. 43. — Land Customr. reads [that] Accot. for Janry.

Generall Letters read vizt. — Genll. Lettrs. read Viz.

From the Chief and Council of Vizagapatm. dated the 17th. ulto. to inclose their accot. of Cash for December. — [Fro] Vizagapatam.

From the Depty. Governr. and Councill of Fort St. David dated the 2d. & 3d. inst. advisg. receipt of the 20,000 pags. sent them on the Brittania and to Inclose Invoice & bill of Lading for 135 bales sent hither on the Theona Brigantine. — [Fro] Fort St. David.

Joshua Draper Rental General & Scavinger pays in Pags. 500 accot. Quit rent & 75 pags. for half a years rent of the Compas. old Garden. — Rentll. Genll. pays in Pags. 575.

The Sea Customer representing that the Pattaners complain that they cannot pay the Sea Custom for the Rawsilk when rated at the usual prizes because tis fallen so they cannot see their Prime Cost and desires the [directn.] of the board Concerning it. — The Patans complain that Raw Silk earng. so small [a] price the paying [the us]uall Customes would render them loosers by that Commodity.

AGREED that the Sea Customr. makes them easy in that affair by rating their silk after the prize[s] it sells for in the Buzar. — the Sea Customr. to make ym. easy in yt. affair.

The following sums being offerd to be paid into the Companys Cash the same were accepted & the bills sign'd Vizt. — Money offer'd to be paid into Cash for Bills of Exchange.

1. 2 & 3d. to Thomas Wright payble to the Revd. Mr. George Lewis or order	1111	[. . .]
1. 2. & 3 to John Powney payble. to Sarah Croising or order	100	[. . .]

Capt. Williamson Commander of the Bridgewater & Messrs. Morton & Carter Supra Cargos deliver in a Petition (as enterd after this Consultatn.) desiring liberty to bring ashoare a parcell of China goods for the convenience of shifting the ship & to relade them again wth.out paying Custom wch. is granted. — the Capt. & Supra Cargs. of Ship Bridgwater desire liberty to bring ashore some Goods & relade them without paying Custom wch. is granted.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOS. WRIGHT.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1720-21—

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE. PETITION OF EDWD. WILLIAMSON, RICHD. MORTON AND THOMAS CARTER

SHEWETH

THAT Whereas your Petitionrs. have brot. sundry Effects wth. them from China for ye. Europe Market and being oblig'd to land them here for ye. Conveniency of Shifting the Ship but since the Sea Customer informs us yt. by the Honble. Companys standing orders we ought to pay the Customs

We therefore humbly request the favour of Your Honr. &ct. that you'l be pleas'd to suffer us to relade them Since ye. occasion hapd. as premis'd and being straingers to the port we did not know how to act in such cases. We humbly submit to your Honr. &ca. Determination hopg. you'l Consider ye. Reasonableness of our Request.

And as in Duty bound shall
Ever Pray.

EDWD. WILLIAMSON.
RICHD. MORTON.
THOMAS CARTER.

7 Brigantine Louissa John Underwood arrd. frō Fort St. David.

— Ship Brittania Capt. Wm. Crossing arrd. from Ditto by which recd. a Genll. Lettr. frō the Depty. Govr. & Council there datd. 4th. [inst.]

AT A CONSULTATION
Prest.

THURSDAY 9TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.	
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOS. WRIGHT.

Fort St. David & Metchlepatam Accots. reported to be right.

Accomptant reports the Fort St. David & Metchlepatam accots. Cash to be right.

Pags. 44 : 16 paid in by Samll. Raworth for his discharge from ye Military.

Samuel Raworth Surgeons Mate pays in (according to an order in the 90th. parah. of the Honble. Companys Letter ℘ Duke of Cambridge) pags. 44fa. 16. for his discharge from the Millitary service.

Paymr. to be advanc'd 3000 Pags.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymaster be advanc'd 3000 pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

Petition of David Willson read and

Petition of David Willson read (as enter'd after this Consultation) setting forth his having serv'd the Honble. Company for many years on the West Coast of Sumatra in the Quallity of Ensign and his being forc'd by the sickness of the Climate to lay down his Commission to come hither for his recovery, and desiring to serve the Company in the same capacity in this Garrison.

Granted.

AGREED that as the said David Willson has always had the Character of being a deserving man We entertain him as Ensign of this Garrison & yt. a Commission be drawn out for him accordingly.

Pags. 487 : 18 to be pd. the Ownrs. of Ship Brittania for freight.

ORDERD that the Warehousekeepr. pays unto the Owners of Ship Brittania Pags. 487½ for freight of 650 bales wch. the Depty. Governr. and Council of Fort St. David Sent hither upon her.

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The Paymaster having musterd Ship Bridgewaters men now delivers a role thereof amount^{g}. to seventy one.

Muster Roll of the Bridgwatr^{s}. men dd.

Accomp^{t}. delivers in his report of the Supra Cargo's of the Bridgewater's books of accounts and his remarks on y^{e}. prizes of the Cargo compard wth. those by the Dartmouth & Marlbrô and acquaints the board that he should have deliver'd it in sooner could he have got an acco^{t}. of the produce of the Gold from the Mint. Order'd that the said report be deliver'd to the supra Cargo's in order to have their answer by next Consultation.

Accomp^{t}. delivers [in] a report of the Supra Cargoes of the Bridgwatr^{s}. Books which is orderd to [be] deliverd them that they may give in their answer.

The Warehousekeeper delivers in an acco^{t}. (as enterd this Consultation) of the deficiencys in the Bridgewaters Cargo from China but acquaints the board that it is no more than usual excepting in the Article of Sugar Candy wch. was much wasted thrô the badness of the Package. In the same report he delivers an acco^{t}. of a Deficiency in the Pepper by the George Brigantine from the West Coast wch. proceeds from a Gross mistake in mak^{g}. up their Invoice the s^{d}. Difference being 1391 bamboos or 12891 Pounds but yet by y^{e}. s^{d}. rep^{t}. the Comp^{a}. gains 3732 lb.

Warehousek^{r}. delivers [in] an Acco^{t}. of the deficiencys in y^{e}. Cargoes of the Bridgwat^{r}. & Geo. Brigant.

Order'd that the China Supra Cargo's have a Copy of that part of the report relat^{g}. to them that they may deliver in their answer by next Consultat^{n}. and that the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Moco Moco be acquainted wth. the deficiency of Pepper in our next General letter that they may rectifie their books accordingly.

The Supra Cargoes [to] have a Copy sent y^{m}. y^{t}. they may reply thereto & the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of the West Coast to be advis'd [in] our next Letter that the mistake [may] be rectify'd.

M^{r}. Joseph Walsh delivers in a paper relating to his having been suspended by the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Moco Moco, wch. being read and their Consultat^{s}. and Letter Examin'd into we can't find any just Cause for such treatment, We therefore at his request take off his suspension and Order that the afores^{d}. Paper be sent in the Pacquet by the Bridgewater for our Honble. Masters perusal.

M^{r}. Walsh delivers in [a pa]per wch. being read, [his] suspension is at [his] request taken off [& y^{e}.] s^{d}. paper ord^{d}. to be transmitted to Engl^{d}. ℔ y^{e}. Bridgwat^{r}.

The following Sums being offer'd [to be paid] into the Companys Cash the same were accepted [and the] bills sign'd Viz^{t}.

[Mon]ey offer'd to be [paid] into Cash for [Bills] of Exchange.

	Pag^{s}.		
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to M^{r}. John Maubert pay^{ble}. to John Chauvel or order ...	16000	—	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Richard Rider pay^{ble}. to Capt. Edwd. Williamson or order.	277	18	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Richard Benyon pay^{ble}. to Elihu Trenchfeild or order for.	8554	7	—
1. 2 & 3^{d}. to Richard Benyon pay^{ble}. to George Morton Pit[t] or order for.	7543	6	—

Fra: Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Thos. Wright.

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To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. and Governr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

The Humble Petition of David Willson

Sheweth

That your Petitionr. having serv'd ye. Honble. Compy. for many years in the Quality of an Ensign on ye. West Coast of Sumatra and being forc'd by ye. sickliness of the Climate to quit ye. service in order to come hither for [his] recovery, Your Petitr. therefore humbly hopes Your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to entertain him in ye. sd. Capacity in this Garrison for wch. your Petitionr. as in Duty bound Shall ever Pray &ca.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Pursuant to an order of Consultatn. of the [12th.] of last month I have examined ye. books deliver'd in by the Supra Cargos of the Bridgewater relatg. to their China Voyage and do observe yt. almost every species of goods and some articles of their Disbursemt. are charg'd much higher than usual, in order therefore to give your Honr. &ca. a clearer view of the matter I shall now sett down ye. prizes the goods stand in as bought by the Supra Cargos of this Ship [&] compare them wth. the prizes the same sort of goods are cha[rged] at by the Supra Cargos of the Marlbrô & Dartmo. I shall also Compare the several articles of Charges by the aforemention'd Ships and then leave ye. whole to your Honr. &ca. Determination.

	ꝑ Dartmo :	Marlbro'.	Bridgewater.
Tuteanague	7Ta. 5 ꝑ Pecul...	6 ꝑ Pecul	6. 6. 6 & 8 & 7 Tale ꝑ Pecul.
Allum	...	...	T 1.7 ... ꝑ Pecul.
Sugar Candy	...	5 ...	6 ... ꝑ do.
Tea Singloe	20 ...	...	28 ... ꝑ do.
Quicksilver	48	53 ...	70 ... ꝑ do.
Vermillion	48 & 50 ...	53 ...	70 ... ꝑ do.
Tea Bohea	30 ...	40 ...	40 ... ꝑ do.
Tea Congho	40 ...	...	58 .. ꝑ do.
Gelongs	...	..	1·2 ... ꝑ ps.
Paunches	...	...	1·2 ... ꝑ do.
Gorgorons	...	5·5 ꝑ ps.	6 ... ꝑ ps.
Taffatys	4.5 ...	4·5 ...	4·8 ... ꝑ ps.
Porsees	6.2 ...	6. 1. 5 ...	6·3 ... ꝑ ps.
Goshees	4.8 ...	5. 2 ...	5·3 ... ꝑ do.
Shaw Atlasses	...	...	9·5 ... ꝑ do.
Gold of 93 Touch.	105 ...	110 ...	108 ... ꝑ do.

Charges by ye. said Ships Vizt.

	Ta. ca.		
Presents	209 2	210	37. 1. 4
Chargs. Merchand.	732 8 4	748. 7. 6. 1	621. 4. 6
House rents & repairs	200 — —	250	487. 9. 5
Port Charges	2350	3300	2650 — —
Factory Expens. for 5 months.	1479 5 1 7	1749. 3. 9. 4 for 6 mo. 18 days	1426. 6. 8. 5 for 3 mo. 12 days.

By the above accot. it appears that all sorts of Goods (the Tuteanague and Gold only excepted) cost much more than they did by the other two ships and especially the Quicksilver, Vermillion and Tea, that the house rent stands in more than what charg'd by both those Ships put together and their Factory expences are considerably higher, considerg. the time of their stay there.

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I find they charge Tale 143. 1. 1. 6 for custom paid for the Sailors and divers other small Parcells of Goods whose owners they could not discover. I have observ'd nothg. paid on any such accot. by other ships and therefore Remark it for your Honr. &ca. Consideration.

As to their Commission by the 7th. paragraph of the Honble. Companys Letter ⅌ Duke of Cambridge It is order'd that the Supra Cargo's sho'd be allow'd 5 ⅌ Cent whereof two to Mr. Sommers, two to Mr. Morton and one to Mr. Carter and that it should be drawn on the first cost of goods in China wch. I find to amount to Tale 88859. 8. 5. 6 their Commission will then come to tale 4192. 9. 9. 2. which in the abovesaid Letter is directed to be paid them, as the Gold part of the Cargo produces here in the Mint I find the Gold cost in China Tale 2160 and made here Pags. 2281. 4. 40 according to which proportion the 5 ⅌ Cent Commission amount

to	Pags.	4428	4	25
Deduct two ⅌ Cent freight		88	20	20
		4339	20	5

but they having overpaid in China Tale 1482. 3. 9 for which they debt themselves in their Journal that sum must also be deducted and being paid in silver at the rate of 121 oz. 2 dwt. ⅌ 100 tale maks ozs. 1795. 3. 5 and reckon'd at 14½ doll. ⅌ 10 Pagodas the present value of Silvr. here amots. to ... 1405 18 —

there remains to be paid them accot. Commn. ...	Pags.	2934	2	5

of wch. Mr. Sommers must receive ...	1173	22	34
Mr. Morton	1173	22	34
Mr. Carter	586	29	17
Pags.	2934	2	5

touchg. their respective concerns in the Ships Stock wch. by ye. aforecited Lettr. by ye. Duke of Cambge. is ordd. to be made good to 'em clear of all Charges as the Gold came out.

Mr. Somers £s. 1000 at 6s. 11d — 71/100 makes Ta. 2885. 3. 9. 5 wch. accordg. to the produce of Gold as above is Pags. ... 3047 7 8

Deduct 45. 7. 3. 1 pd. for Custom in China on his accot. is oz. 55. 7 dw 14 g of Silvr. @ 14½ comes to 43 12 73

Rems. due to him	Pags.	3003	30	15
Mr. Mortons £s. 1100 is		3351	32	64
Mr. Carters 800		2437	27	22
		8793	18	21

Thus having laid before yor. Honr. &ca. wt. I thôt necessry. in relatn. to the China Voya. I Submit the whole to your Consideratn. and am wth. all respect

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Yor. Most Obedt. Humble Servant

Richd. Horden.

Fort St. George

Febry. 9th. 17 20/1.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1720-21—

To the Honble. Fra : Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t. &c^a. Council of F. S^t. Geo^e.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

Having receivd ship Bridgewaters Cargo from China by weight I think it necess^{ry}. for my own security to give yor. Hon^r. &c^a. an acco^t. of y^e. deficiency I find therein that I may be accountable for no more yⁿ. rec^d. wch. is as follows Viz^t.

			Catty
Tuteanague Invoicd Peculls	... ...	1612	15
Rec^d.	... ...	1598	59
			pecul
	Short of Invoice	13	56 Cattys
Sugar Candy Invoicd Peculls	... ...	512	60
Receiv'd	... ...	472	—
	Short of Invoice	40	60
Allum Invoicd Peculls	.. ..	1000	—
Rec^d.	... ...	985	46
	Short of Inv^o.	14	54
Vermillion Invoicd	.. ..	51	—
Receiv'd	... ...	50	50
	Short of Inv^o.		50 Catty
Quick Silver Invoicd	... .	50	—
Receiv'd	... ...	49	98
	Short of Invoice		2 d^o.

The difference in most of the articles is not more than has been found want^g. in former China Cargo's except the Sugar Candy wch. may in great measure be imputed to the badness of the Package.

And that I may not trouble you wth. a seperate paper I shall here also add an acco^t. of y^e. pepp^r. receiv'd from Moco Moco by the George Brig^{te}. in wch. there is a very great deficiency both in measure and weight accord^g. to the Inv^o. wch. is as follows

Pepper Bencoolen Inv^d.	13355	Bambos poiz ...	56091 Pounds
Receiv'd	11964	d^o. poiz. vizt. Garbled 41100 Dust 2100	
			43200
Short of Invoice	1391	Bamboos poiz	12891 Pounds

This difference must proceed from some gross mistake they have made in their Invoice for I am very certain the amo^t. of what it is charg'd at, could never purchase near y^e. Quantity wch. is but dollars 734 : 2 : 10 for 56091 Lbs. the price of Pepper as will appear by all the Bencoolen acco^{ts}. is no more than ten dollars the bahar of 560 Lbs. and One Dollar ℔ bahar Custom wch. makes Eleven dollars for 560 Lbs. at wch. rate 734 dollars will purchase no more than 37368 Lbs. wch. being deducted from 41100 Garbled Pepper the Company have gain'd 3732 lbs. of Clear Pepper by y^e. measure more yⁿ. that Sum̃ would have purchasd at the Bencoolen Price Wherefore If Your Hon^r. &c^a. approve of it I shall Credit them for no more than the true weight of Clear pepper receivd from them, amounting to wth. Charges as ℔ Inv^o. 950. 2. 10 and am

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

Yo^r. Hon^r. &c^a. Most Obed^t. Servt.

Tho: Cooke.

Fort S^t. George

9th. February 17 20/1.

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Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson sail'd for Fort St. David. 10

Sloop Amity Vera Tandell sail'd for Ditto. —

AT A CONSULTATION

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SATURDAY 11TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.	PRESIDT. & GOVR.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Severall Sums of money paid in for bills of Exchange.

The following Sums being offer'd to be paid into the Companys Cash the same were acceptd. and the bills sign'd Vizt.

1. 2 & 3d. To Thomas Cooke payble. to William Goselin Esqr.	205	28	—
1. 2 & 3d. to John Maubert payble. to John Chauvel or order	2216	—	—
1. 2 & 3d. to Edwd. Williamson payble. to himself or order for	2632	6	48
1. 2 & 3d. to Joshua Draper payble. to Richard Morton ...	2400	—	—
1. 2 & 3d. to Joshua Draper payble. to Thomas Carter for.	4878	—	—

Supra Cargoes of the Bridgwatr. deliver in their Answer to ye. Accompt. and Warehousekrs. reports concerng. the cargo of that Ship.

Messrs. Morton and Carter Supra Cargo's of Ship Bridgewater delvr. in their ansr. in writing to Mr. Hordens rept. relatg. to the prizes of the China Cargo and to Mr. Cook's concerning the deficiency therein both wch. were read and order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation. As to the first they alledge that the Quantity of Ships in China this season occasion'd ye. raisg. the prizes of ev'ry commodity exceptg. Silks wch. they beleive are cheaper than any by ye. Dartmo. and the Marlbrô they being 1/5th. longr. yn. usual. The accot. prests. were much less yn. that of the other Ships and the reason yt. the house rent & repairs of Factory & expences were increas'd is because ye. Provisions were very dear & houses scarce by the numbr. of Ships being there. As to the Article of Custom paid for parcells belongg. to Sailors they think it Conformable to the Compas. Instructions wherein they advise 'em to take ye. utmost care of the sailors runing goods to prevent any disturbance in their carrying on their affairs.

The said Supra Cargo's acquaint us that they observe Our Accompt. has charg'd no Commission on the uninvested Silver wch. they hope we will order to be paid, The said article being duly consider'd & it appearg. to us to be a very unreasonable demd. we resolve to referr 'em to our Honble. Masters for their determinatn.

As to the Deficiency in the goods they say the Warehousekr. finds much the same in former Cargo's exceptg. in the article of Sugar Candy wch. they beleive to proceed from the exactness in weight wch. they took it at in China and their allowing the turn of the scale here besides the Sugar Candy melting in the bags wch. occasd. the tare to be more and the weight of the goods less. The said supra Cargos were call'd in & ask'd how so great a difference would arise betwixt the sugar Candy brought by the Marlbrô and yt. by this ship who replyd that the former was in Tubbs and this in bags wch. is all the reason they could assign for such a deferrence And Capt. Williamson being prest. acquainted the board that he brôt some from China in Tubbs wch. lost very near as much as the Companys wch. was brôt in bags & therefore imputed it to it's waste by melting in the Ships Hold.

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Mr. Somers cheif Supra-Cargoe of ship Bridgwater dying in his Pessage Capt. Williamson produces an Act & deed made by him and the Wittnesses thereto were Sworn.

Mr. Jno. Somers Cheif Supra Cargo aboard ye. Bridgewater dying in said ship in the streights of Malacca Capt. Edwd. Williamson Commandr. appears & produces an Act & deed made by said John Somers just before his death appointg. him the said Edd. Williamson & Charles Massey to take care of his Effects now aboard the Bridgewater, The Wittnesse[s] Nicolas Jackson and Charles Gough being prest. did sware that the said John Somers was in perfect mind & memory at the executing thereof.

The Commissioners of inquiry acquaint the Board of havg. finish'd the affair and of their havg. wrote a Lettr. to the Company in relation thereto.

Messrs. Elwick, Horden & Tullie acqt. the board that they had Finish'd the interrogatorys wch. the Compa. sent out relatg. to an affr. betwixt Josias Chitty & them and that they had wrote the Compa. a lettr. to accompany them by this Ship.

Genll. Letter design'd ℘ ship Bridgwatr. read, approv'd & sign'd, also the Capts. dispatches.

Generall Lettr. to the Honble. Court of Directors and to the Governr. and Council of St. Hellena by Ship Bridgewater were read, approv'd & Sign'd, also Capt. Williamsons dispatches.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

BE IT KNOWN unto all men by this present Writing that I John Sommers Cheif Supracargo on board the Bridgewater Edwd. Williamson Commander now in the Streights of Malacca in the East Indies being very weak of body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same I do desire and impower Capt. Edwd. Williamson and Mr. Charles Massey Cheif mate of the said ship to sell, dispose or let out on the bottom of the said ship or any other ship bound to England that they shall think safe and part of the goods and mony that shall be produc'd from the sale of any of my goods sold at Madras I desire what Gold I have on board that Mr. Maubert of Fort St. George may invest the same in Diamonds I desire the said Capt. Edwd. Williamson and Charles Massey to carry to England and there to deliver the same to my Dear Wife [Mrs.] Sarah Sommers or her assigns but in case the Gold cannot be invested in Diamonds that I desire the sd. Capt. Edwd. Williamson and Charles Massey to dispose of said Gold as they shall think most to the advantage of my Dear Wife Mrs. Sarah Sommers She running all hazards that may accrue by the letting out of any of the said money on the bottom of any of the ships bound to England. I have one Lacker'd Screne wth. Mr. Wallpole's Coat of Arms on't, ten Carboys of Arrack and one Chest of Arrack wch. I desire Capt. Edwd. Williamson to carry to England for Mr. Wallpole. I give to Capt. Edwd. Williamson fifty Pounds I likewise give to Mr. Charles Massey thirty Pounds and to Mr. Richd. Rider doctr. of the said ship twenty Pounds. And Whereas I am indebted to Mr. Charles Massey twenty One Pounds one shilling and four pence wch. I was to deliver him goods for as they cost me in China, therefore I desire that Capt. Edwd. Williamson will deliver so many of my goods to the sd. Charles Massey as will make up the

above mentiond Sum̃ and his receipt shall be a discharge for so much of the said Goods as he shall deliver. All wch. said sum̃s I desire Capt. Edwd. Williamson to deduct from the sale of any of my goods sold at Fort S^{t}. George, I give to my Servant William Redshaw all the Cloathes of mine and Linnen that I have now except my Brocade, West Coat And in case that any Disputes arise I desire and allow the said Capt. Edwd. Williamson and Charles Massey the liberty of a Lawy^{r}. to advise wth. The said Lawyer to be paid out of my Estate. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the 23^{d}. Day of December in y^{e}. year of our Lord God 1720.

John Sommers. (*Loco Sigilli*)

Sign'd Seal'd & Deliver'd being where no Stampt Paper is to be had in the Presence of us.

Nicolas Jackson.

Charles Gough.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govern^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. George.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

We have perus'd the Accomp^{ts}. letter and observe that he takes notice that almost every article of our Goods as well as most of our disbursem^{ts}. are much larger than those of y^{e}. Supra Cargos of Ship Dartmouth & Marlbrô. We beg leave to assure your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. that we were not wanting in our duty for the Interest of our Honble. Employers but y^{e}. large number of Shipping that were there, raisd the prizes of almost every Commodity. Our Silks we beleive come out considerably cheaper than by either of the abovemention'd Ships and for our House rent & repairs an accident that happend by fire and the many Ships that were there, was what increasd that Charge. The aforemention'd reason of the number of Ships occasion'd our Factory Expences being so great, all sorts of provisions being much dearer than usual.

Concerning the article of Custom on Several parcells belonging to the Sailors We thought agreable to our Honble. Masters Instructions to pay it for the preventing any disturbance in the carrying on our affairs by the Sailors running of goods wch. They advise Us to take the utmost care of.

We Observe in your Accomptants making up our acco^{ts}. he has omitted giving us Credit for our Commission on the Silver we brought hither wch. we hope your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will order us to be paid here or referr us to our Honble. Masters in England all which We leave to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Consideration and are

Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servants

Richard Morton.

Thomas Carter.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. George.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

We have receiv'd the Warehousekeepers Report of the deficiency of our Cargo and observe he finds the loss on all the goods except the Sugar Candy no more than usual, and we imagine the more than Ordinary want of that to proceed from y^{e}.

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exactness of weight we were oblig'd to take it at in China and the allowance we make here on y^e^. Turn of the Scale as also from the Sugar Candy's sweating & wetting the bags wch. occasion'd the tare to come out much more and the Weight of the goods much less than as we Receive them in China. As to the Package we deliverd it in good order as appears by our bill of loading wch. there is no exceptions against, having nothing further to Offer we Remain

YO^R^. HON^R^. &C^AS^.

Most Obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Servants

RICHARD MORTON.

THOMAS CARTER.

13 Ship Bridgewater (belonging to the Honble Company) Capt. Edwd. Williamson Command^r^. saild for Great Brittain by whom was sent a Pacquet to the Honble. Court of Directors.

14 Ship Jean Labdine Mahomud Ismaul sail'd to Tranquebar.

15 Ship Brittania William Croising sail'd to Fort S^t^. David.

17 Ship Vizagapat^m^. Merch^t^. Willm. Jones mast^r^. arriv'd from Vizagapat^m^. by whom rec^d^. a General Letter from the Chief & Council there dated the 29th. ult^o^.

18TH. Brigantine Lewis. Giles Fermain arriv'd from Fort S^t^. David by whõ: rec^d^. a Gener^ll^. Letter from the Dep^ty^. Govern^r^. and Council there dated the 15th. ins^t^.

— Rec^d^. a Genl. Letter from y^e^. Cheif & Council of Vizag^m^. dated the 3^d^. Feb^ry^. $17\frac{20}{1}$.

AT A CONSULTATION

Pres^t^.

SATURDAY 18TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.	PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Fort St. David Merch^ts^. Acco^ts^. reported to be right and the Ballance order'd to be paid.

Accomptant reports the Fort S^t^. David Merch^ts^. acco^ts^. for last month to be right the ballance whereof being Pag^s^. 10392. 12. 27 is order'd to be Paid.

Muster Roll of the Hartford's men deliver'd in.

The Paymaster produces a muster role of Ship Hartfords men amount^g^. to 57.

The Hartford's Invoice reported to come out right [except] 2 small Articles.

The Warehousekeeper reports that the Hertfords Cargo came out conformable to Invoice except a Jarr of Oyl & a Cask of Vinegar wch. were broke & stav'd coming ashoare.

Generall Letters read Viz^t^.

Two Gen^ll^. Lett^rs^. from Vizagapatam read.

Two from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 29th. January and 3^d^. February, the former to Inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for 300 bales sent hither on the Vizagapatam Merch^t^. and the Latter to accompany their Cash Accounts for December and January and to desire a Supply of Cash for carrying on their Investment & to defray their Charges Garrison.

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ORDER'D that ten thousand Pagodas be sent thither by the first opportunity wth. what Wares & stores they formerly demanded.

Ten thous^{d}. Pagodas to be sent thither.

From the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David ℔ Brigantine Lewis wth. Invoice and Bill of Lading for eighty bales sent hither upon her.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from Fort S^{t}. David read.

Generall Letters to the Honble. Court of Directors and to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Hellena were read, approv'd and signd, to go by Ship Hertford Capt. Francis Nelly Com^{dr}. whose dispatch was likewise sign'd and Dated this day.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to the Court of Direct^{rs}. design'd ℔ Ship Hartford and to the Govr. & Council of S^{t}. Helena read & signd also Capt. Nelly's dispatches.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Ship Hartford (belonging to the hon^{ble}. Company) Capt. Francis Nelly Comm^{r}. said this evening for Great Brittain by whom sent a Pacquet to the Honble. Court of Directors. 19

Ship Doreadoulet Mahomud Cashim arr^{d}. a Calingapatam. —

Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson arr^{d}. frō Fort S^{t}. David. 21

Brigantine Lewis John Underwood saild to Pondicherry. —

Brigant̃. Theana, Giles Fermain sail'd to Vizagapatam by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Cheif and Council there dated the 20th. Instant. —

Ship Cheveram, Poncalu Siedoo arrivd from Vizagapatam. 22

AT A CONSULTATION

Pres^{t}.

THURSDAY 23^{D}.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRES^{T}. & GOV^{R}.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint Master reads y^{t}. acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pagodas 349. 11. 70 wch. he now pays in.

Mint Acco^{t}. for last month read.

The Accomptant reports that the Vizagap^{m}. Cash acco^{ts}. for December and January are examin'd & found right.

Vizagapatam Cash Acco^{ts}. for Jan̄ry. & Decr. reported to be right

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Sea Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last month read.

Custom on Goods imported & exp^{ted}.		3327	16	4
Ditto on Grain		878	16	—
Anchorage		27	18	—
	Pag^{s}.	4233	14	4

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Ballce. due fro him 4201 : 27 : 4 of wch. he pays in 1000 : — : —.

ballance due from him Pagodas 4201. 27. 4 of which he pays in 1000 Pags.

Storekrs. Acoot. for last month read.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads yt. accot. for Last month balla. due from him Pags. 1392. 18. 20.

Paymrs. acoot. for last month read.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	1950	2	60
Charges Generall	745	5	45
New Warehouse	24	11	50
Charges Cattle	140	29	50
Charges Extraordinary	399	2	35
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortificats.	145	2	70
Fort St. David	8	15	—
Charges Diet	565	9	15
Diet and stores laid in	696	18	—
Pags.	4685	9	5

Ballce. due to him 1685 : 9 : 5.

ballance due to him Pagodas 1685. 9. 5 wch. are order'd to be paid.

The Extraordinary Expence examin'd into.

Upon examining the Extraordry. expences for last month We find them to arise from ye. following perticulars Vizt.

New Warehouse for Workmen, Iron stone for paving &ct.	24	11	50
Dieu Island for Gunners mate	10	—	—
Fort St. David for Charges accot. Messrs. Berlu, Berriman & Lieut. John D'Morgans return thither overland	8	15	—
Charges Extraordinary for Entertainmts. on Christmas day, New years day, Feasts. the Soldiers as accustomary and a present of rosewater to a Moorman nam'd Sallad Cawn	399	2	35
Pags.	441	29	5

Land Customrs. ballance for last month paid in.

Richard Benyon Land Customr. pays in the balls. of last months accot. being pags. 193. 20. 43.

Journall Parcells for Decr. read.

The Accomptant reads the Journal Parcells for the month of December.

Fort St. David Genll. Letter read.

Generall Letter from the Depty. Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 17th. wth. Invoice and bill of Lading for 70 bales of the Honble. Companys Calicoes sent hither upon the Sloop Ramah.

Petition of Capt. Middleton read & granted.

Capt. William Middleton master of the George Brigantine delivers in a paper (as enterd after this Consultatn.) desiring liberty to lay down ye. Companys Service in order to go a trading Voya. wch. is granted.

Petition of Vinketerauze agst. Devroy Warehouse Conicoply read.

Petition from Vinketrauze an Inhabitant of this place of the Rashboot Cast was presented to the board wch. being read & Consider'd was order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation. The Import of the said Petition being a complaint against Devaroy the Warehouse Conicoply for seducing his sister from her Lawfull Husband, debauchs. her and forcibly detaining her when she was demanded by himself and her said husband. The President thereupon acquainted the board that this Complaint had been made to him singly a few days since whereupon he confin'd him to the Choultry wth. a resolution to reexamine the Case at the board, the Complainant being very pressing and Importunate for Justice and being so much exasperated at the Shame and disgrace wch. their family was like to Suffer on ye. occasion that they could

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scarcely be restrain'd from murdering themselves as well as the Woman, the Cast or tribe to which they belong being so nicely strict in their rules wth. reguard to matters that Concern their honour that they chuse much rather to suffer death than Ignominy or reproach. Dev'roy being brôt before the board and examin'd upon y[s]. occasion he reply'd that Vinketrauze came ab[t]. ten days ago to him and told him that his sister had return'd from the place to wch. he sent her up in the Country but that he could not find her, Devroy added that thereupon he sent to one Eyarnoi-Villevochum a Washermans wife and bid her look for the Girl, and when she had found her, she told her y[t]. her Brother desir'd she might be carry'd to Deverroy's house, Devroy added that when the Girl was brôt thither t'was very late and that therefore he ask'd the Washerwoman why she brôt her at that unseasonable time of night and bid her go away but y[t]. they desir'd to lodge in the house that night for fear of being taken up by y[e]. Rounds, that in y[e]. morning just before he went to the Fort he enquir'd wch. was ye Rashboot Woman who wh[en] she saw him desir'd his Protection from her friends wh[o she] said would use her ill whenever she returnd to them, [He] affirm'd that he bid her go a second time but she re[ply'd] she was afraid and could not go and then the Washerwoman told him that if he did not keep her from her relat[s]. she would suffer very much whereupon he came to the Fort. Devroy further declar'd that he could not deny but y[t]. Vinketrauze came to his house the next day and demanded his Sister as having heard that she was there and that he reply'd that twas not in his power to deliver her up, but that he might go to his Master, that the Third day the S[d]. Vinketrauze met him in the Street and demanded his Sister again and y[t]. he reply'd that he had been hard at Work in the Fort and was very much fatiegued but that he would talk wth. him in the morning when the said Vinketrauze went and made his Complaint to the Governour.

Vinketrauze the Complainant being call'd in and ask'd concerning the matter in dispute he declar'd that about four months since having heard that his sister frequently went to the aforemention'd Washerwomans house who bôre no very reputable Character he began to be apprehensive least his Sister should be seduc'd by her if he did not timely prevent it and that therefore he sent her up in the Country to some relations there but that lately returning again very privately (wch. however came to his knowledge) he sent to the afores[d]. Washerwomans to inquire where she was. The Washerwoman at first reply'd that she knew not but afterwards assur'd him she was in the house of Deveroy whither he accordingly went and meeting him at home intreated him to deliver up his Sister in order to prevent that Shame and Infamy from falling upon their whole family w[ch]. the Detention of his sister & consequently the debauching her would unavoidably occasion. The said Vinketrauze further declares that the defendant Deveroy then return'd him for answer that She was not in his house but some where in the street, that thereupon being exasperated he persisted in his demands of the Girl telling him withall that if he was resolv'd himself and family Should kill themselves or leave the bounds, they would do either of the two, to w[ch]. Deveroy reply'd they might do what they would but that he could not make up the matter in Less than eight or ten days time when the Ships were gone for Europe. Vinketrauze call'd in and ask'd concerning the affair in dispute.

The Washerwoman being call'd in and ask'd concerning this matter, She Declar'd that the Plaintiff Vinketrauze did go to Deveroy and demand his Sister and that thereupon She herself was sent for by him, who bid her look amongst the Cooley Washerwomen for the Girl wch. she did accordingly, found her, and brôt her to Deveroy's house who bid her go away; that they reply'd it was late and that they were afraid of being taken up by the rounds for wch reason they desir'd to lye there that night. This Deponent further alledged that then Deveroy permitted them to stay but order'd her to take care of the Girl and lye wth. her. In the morning they ask'd Deveroy what they should do wth. her who reply'd she might go. The Deponent added that she told Deveroy that if the Girl return'd to her relations they would murther her, Whereupon Deveroy gave 'em leave to continue in his house for 3 days two of w[ch]. this Depon[t]. adds she remain'd wth. the Girl but confesses that the third day she was absent. The Washerwoman call'd in and interrogated concerns. the affair.

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The Sister to the Plaintiff brot. before the Board & ask'd if Devroy was guilty of the sevll. ℘ticulrs. whereto She answers in the affirmative.

The Sister to the Plaintiff Vinketrauze being brôt before the board was ask'd if Deveroy was guilty of the several perticulars wherewth. he now Stood Charg'd in ansr. whereto the Woman declar'd in the affirmative and offer'd her Oath to the same.

Devroy remanded to the Choultry & the others dismissed.

The foregoing Depositions being heard and fully consider'd Dev'roy was remanded to the Choultry and the several persons concern'd in this affair dismiss'd the room.

Paymr. to rebuild the 2 bridges fallen down & ye. Inhabitants to contribute to the charge thereof.

The Bridges from the Island to Triplicane & to the Honble. Compas. Garden being fallen down thrô the violence of the late rains and there being a necessity to rebuild them for the benefit of the Inhabitants who seem willing to defray the Charge as they did before, It is Agreed that the Paymaster forthwth. setts abt. them and that hereafter the Inhabitts. contribute towards reimbursing the Company the expence wch. they are at in so doing.

Fra : Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Thos. Wright.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. Geor.

The petn. of Vinketrauze peon to ye. Tobacco ffarmers

Humbly Sheweth

That your Honrs. Petitionr. having some months past brôt his Family out of the Country to live within your Limits and Protection at ye. Washing town where Devroys Warehkrs. Conocoplys Washerwoman deluded & carry'd abroad your Petitrs. Sister in Law & kept untimely hours wch. when Your Petitionr. perceiv'd he sent his Sister in Law back to the Country but soon after heard she was return'd to Madrass and finding she did not come to him went to the beforementd. Washerwoman and after a long time & much intreaty She told your Petr. that his Sister in Law was in Dev'roy's house, Your Petitr. went thither and demanded his sister in Law & told Devroy wt. ye. Washerwoman related who ordd. Your Petitir. to come another time and he would satisfy him, the next day he went to sd. Devroy and desir'd him to return his Sister in Law but he intreated him to forbear till ye. Europe Ships were dispatch'd and he would then make him ample satisfaction. Your Petitr. insisted upon havg. his Sister in Law delivd. him forthwth. and [ld.] before Devroy the blot and Scandal she had already gaind his Family at wch. Devroy got up inragd and bid your Petitr. go about his business and Seek remedy if he could find any, Your Petr. havg. now ld. before yor. Honr. his case & Consequently ye. Scandal and reproach he's ever like to undergo by Devroys unjust and indecent proceedings most humbly prostrate himself & ffamily at Your Honrs. feet imploring your redress & shall as in duty bound ever Pray.

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To the Honble. Fra^s^ Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Having serv'd y^e^. Honble. Company for many years as master of one of their small Vessells & hav^g^. now a prospect of advancing my Fortune by going a trad^g^. Voy^a^. I humbly intreat y^e^. fav^r^. of yor. Hon^r^. &c^a^. that you'l be pleas'd to permit me to lay down my Employ in y^e^. George Brigantine wch. will be an addition to y^e^. many fav^rs^. already rec^d^. & forever oblige me to acknowledge myself

Fort S^t^. George Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

February 23^d^. 1720/1. Yo^r^. Most Obed^t^. hum^ble^. Servant

William Middleton.

Ship Vincatash Siedoo Julal Noquedah arr^d^. from Bengall. 24
Sloop Amity Vera Tandell arrived from Fort S^t^. David. —
Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson sail'd to Ditto. —

At a Consultation

Pres^t^.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govr. — Friday 24th.

Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nath^ll^. Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

The Complaint of Vinketrauze with relation to Deveroys having seduc'd his Sister mention'd in Last Consultation being now reassum'd Mar Kistna the Governours Dubash (to whom the Plaintiff first applied himself for Justice) and Kistna the Tobacco ffarmer (in whose service the said Vinketrauze has been for some time employ'd) were call'd in & ask'd what they knew concerning the matter in dispute, Mar Kistna depos'd that Poncala Kistna the Tobacco Farmer came to his house on the 19th. ins^t^. in the morning together wth. the said Vinketrauze & some of his relations wth. Launces in their hands, that the said Poncala Kistna represented to him how much Deveroy had aggriev'd those people and that they were resolv'd to Murther themselves unless they could have some spe[edy] redress; The said Mar Kistna further depos'd that thereupon he sent his Conicoply to Deveroy to acquaint him of the noise wch. his unwarrentable detention of the woman had occasion'd and to warn him of the ill consequences wch. would unavoidably attend his refusal to deliver her up, That Deveroy returnd him for ans^r^. that he had not the Girl in his house but would send & inquire for her, & that a few hours after he sent her to the Choultry Dubash to be kept in Prison by him. *The Complaint of Vinketerauze reassumed upon which [Mar] Kisna & Poncala [Kis]na were call'd in.*

Poncala Kistna being ask'd concerning this matter confirm'd the several allegations of the aforemention'd Deponent whereupon they were both dismiss'd. *Poncala Kisna confirms the allegations of the afores^d^. Deponent.*

The board then thought it proper to send for the heads of all the Casts to know their opinions concerning this affair, The Complainants who are rashboots being very clamarous, & it being a matt^r^. very nearly concerning their Hon^r^. wch. is a point most nicely observ'd amongst that sett of People. *The Heads of the sev^ll^. Casts to be sent for in ord^r^. to know their opinions concerning this affair.*

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The heads of the sevll. Casts appear before the Board—the affair being represented to them they promise to deliver in their sentiments in Writing the next Consultn.

The heads of all the Casts being accordingly sent for & appearg. before the board the whole affair was represented to them and their opinions ask'd concerng. it they reply'd that they could not pretend to give so speedy a Judgemt. but desir'd till next Consultatn. to consider thereupon when they promis'd to deliver in their Sentimts. in writing whereto the board agreeing they were dismis'd and the Determinatn. of this affair deferr'd.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

26 Dispatch'd ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay of yesterdays date, one to the Cheif and Council of Callicutt and another to the Cheif and Council of Anjengo of the same date.

— Ship Boneta Messrs. Harris & Scattergood Supra Cargoes arriv'd from Canton.

27 Ship Trepopilore Seignr. Matthew Perera arrd. a Manilha.

— Ship Hussen Capt. Matthew Beesly arrd. from Porto Novo.

AT A CONSULTATION

Prest.

MONDAY 27TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH: TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Export Warehousekrs. accot. for January read.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeeper reads that accot. for last month ballance due to him Pags. 1109.5.33.

Import Warehousekrs. accot. for January read.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeepr. reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him 2114.1.35.

The sevll. Casts deliver in their report of the affair in dispute between Devroy and Vinketerauze. The Presidt. proposes to come to some determination in ys. affair. But some of the Members differing in opinion it was put to the Vote whether Devroy did not appear Guilty & whether he ought not to be severely Punish'd, both wch. were resolv'd in ye. affirmative for the followg. reasons.

The Severall Casts pursuant to agreement in last Consultation now deliver in their report of the affair in dispute between Deveroy and Vinketrauze ([as]enterd after this) wch. being read and duly consider'd, The President propos'd to the board to come to some determinatn. concerning it but some of the Members differing in Opinion from the rest a Debate arose Whereupon it was put to the vote whether Deveroy did not appear to be Guilty of the severall facts with wch. he stood charged and whether he ought not to be severely Punish'd for the same both wch. were resolv'd in the affirmative for the following reasons.

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FIRST Because all the circumstances mention'd in the acco^t. wch. Deveroy himself gives of the matter and also by those enumerated in the depositions given in by the Plaintiff and the evidences, it doth appear & seem feasible that the said Deveroy hath willfully & knowingly decoy'd, inveighled and Seduc'd by the assistance of the aforemention'd Washerwoman the true and Lawfull Wife of Condamrauze and Sister of Vinketrauze the Complainant.

SECONDLY that by some of the allegations in said Depositions It doth Appear that he hath debauch'd her and forcibly detain'd her from her Husband and Brother althô dem^ded. severall times by them.

THIRDLY that we the rather think him Guilty because the heads of the severall Casts have upon examination into the matter & upon very mature Deliberat^n. deliver'd in their Verdict agreable to the Judgement of this board.

FOURTHLY that we think he ought to suffer because the Crime is in it self of a very heinous nature and no less than the invading another mans right and property as well as the possessing and detaining it from him wch. is in Effect a Robbery and is always punish'd wth. severity by the Laws of our Country.

FIFTHLY that there is an absolute necessity to proceed wth. rigour in the Punishment of the Person convicted in order to deterr others from being guilty of the like, because the complainants are so very clamarous & importunate for Justice and because they belong to a Cast of People by whose Laws & Customs both the Offenders would suffer death.

SIXTHLY That we are the more convinc'd that the afores^d. Devroy is actually Guilty of the sev^ll. ffacts wth. wch. he now stands charg'd on acco^t. of the Scandalous Character wch. he bears amongst the People of his Own cast for leading a Debauch'd and Infamous Life and because it is well known for some misdeameanours of the like kind he was by them some time ago abandon'd, thô since upon his Promise of good behaviour he has been readmitted.

SEVENTHLY that we think ourselves under an indispensible Obligation to make a very Publick example of the s^d. Deveroy as being employ'd in the Honble. Companys Service as the Warehouse Conicoply wch. is a pretty eminent Station for a black Servant, that by such an open peice of Justice the Inhabitants may be convinc'd that we will not Suffer such persons to be thereby screen'd and protected from having due punishment inflicted on them when they commit unwarrentable actions.

Messrs. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson thought fit to dissent on y^s. occasion and desir'd the liberty to deliver in their reasons seperately for the same the next Consultat^n. wch. was granted.

Messrs. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson dissent & desire leave to deliver in their reasons separately.

They were then order'd to withdraw while the other Members of the board should proceed to give sentance against Deveroy wch. they did accordingly.

They were ord^d. to withdraw while the rest proceeded to give sentence ag^st. Devroy.

The board then consisting of the Presid^t. Messrs. Horden, Cooke, Fowke, Draper & Wright deliberated very maturely on some proper punishment to be inflicted on Deveroy for the aforemention'd Crime and at length it was resolv'd unanimously that he should be dismiss'd from the Honble. Comp^as. Service as the Conicoply to the Warehouse, That he should stand in the Pillory and that he should pay to the Injur'd Husband such a sum̃ of mon[ey] as should be sufficient for the procuring another Wife in the room of her whom he debauched.

The Presid^t. wth. the other five Members deliberated on a proper punishment for Devroy and at length unanimously agreed to dismiss him from his Employ, that he should stand in the Pillory and that he should purchase another Wife for the Injur'd husband.

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The Choultry Dubash call'd in and ord[d]. to acquaint the Persons concern'd in y[s]. affair with the judgment of the Board. The dissenting Members [re admitted. Mess[rs]. Turner, Cooke and Horden desire leave to attach y[e]. Effects of Devroy.

The Choultry Dubash was then call'd in & order'd to acquaint the severall persons concern'd wth. the Judgem[t]. of the board concern[g]. Deveroy. Mess[rs]. Turner Benyon & Emmerson the dissenting Memb[rs]. were then readmitted and M[r]. Nath[ll]. Turner desir'd leave to lay an Attachment upon y[e]. Effects of Dev'roy for the Sum of Pag[s]. 1200 w[ch]. he said he was indebt[d]. to him. Mess[rs]. Horden and Cooke also desir'd the same.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH[D]. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND. FFOWKE.
NATH[LL]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO[S]. WRIGHT.

Memorand[m].

The Casts declarat[n]. is enterd after next Consultat[n].

MARCH 1 Ship Juggeranaiculoo Suncha Ramah own[r]. sail'd to Nagore.

2 Brigant Lewis John Underwood arr[d]. from Pondicherry.

— Ship Vizagapatam Merch[t]. Capt. William Jones sail'd to Vizagapatam by whom sent a Gen[ll]. Letter to the Cheif and Council there dated the 1st. Instant.

4 Ship Stratford Cap[t]. John Ward arrived from Siam.

— Ship Cheveram Poncalu Siedoo sail'd to Vizagapatam.

5 Ship S[t]. Mark Seign[r]. Jansee arrived from Tenassery.

— Brigan S[t]. Maria Cojee Meerlam arrived from Pegu.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 6TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R]. PRESID[T]. & GOV[R].
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

Cash Acco[t]. for February read.

Francis Hastings Esq[r]. Presid[t]. reads his acco[t]. of the Hon[ble]. Companys Cash for last month ballance remain[g]. Pag[s]. 131133. 26.78.

Land Custom[rs]. Acco[t]. for February read.

Richard Benyon Land Custom[r]. reads that acco[t]. for last month Viz[t].

Choultry Custom	379	27	69
Ruby Brokerage	6	25	34
	386	17	23

ballance due from him Pag[s]. 367. 16. 23.

[Pag[s].] 3000 to be advanc'd [the] Paymaster.

ORDERD that Nath[ll]. Turner Paymaster be advanc'd Pag[s]. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

[Pag[s]. 333 :] 12 paid in by the [Arr]ack Farmer.

Lewis Malicque Farmer of the Arrack and wine Licence pays in Pag[s]. 333. 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

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Mess[rs]. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson deliver in their several papers of Dissent to the Sentence pass'd upon Devroy the last Consult[a]. w[ch]. being read are orderd to be enter'd after this.

[Me]ss[rs]. Turner, Benyon & [Em]merson deliver in [their] papers of dissent [to] the judgment pass'd upon Devroy.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH[D]. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH[LL]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESID[T]. & GOV[R]. OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C[A]. COUNCIL.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

My reasons for disagreeing wth. the Majority of the board last Consultation day upon the affair of the Rashwar woman & Devroy Warehouse Conicoply are as follows.

FIRST The Rashwar Woman being by the husbands brothers own Confession a woman that us'd to leave her husband and keep such ill Company as thereby to cause a suspicion in her husband of her acting in some manner (if not before done) to the prejudice of her reputation w[ch]. made him send her out of the way some time since to be taken care of by his friends in the Country from whom she made her escape (for fear of being made away wth. by them according to the Countr[ys] Custom) got to this place & took shelter in a Washerwoman's house by report of no good reputation.

SECONDLY The Character of the Woman being as before represented together wth. considerat[n]. had on these circumstances of matters & what alledg'd by Devroy in his own Vindication (Spoke off hand in Consultat[n].) amongst w[ch]. that of his offering his oath tow[ds]. a further clearing himself of the Plaintiffs accusation, I cannot be of opinion the Womans Oath together wth. the Casts Paper (w[th].out wittnesses corroborat[g]. therew[th].) sufficient to prove Dev'roy guilty of forcing or lying wth. her, but that rather the Oath of Dev'roy (who has been entrusted for many Years in an employ of great Consequence in the Hon[ble]. Comp[as]. Service w[ch]. this board nor the Warehousek[r]. in perticular would entrust any person wth. but men of Integrity) be accepted tow[ds]. clearing him of the Plaintiffs accusation who in my opinion cannot but be accounted a very light Woman if not a Whore.

THIRDLY I could wish Devroy had been call'd in last Consultat[n]. but it happen[g]. then to Slip my thought of desir[g]. it I now can only be sorry if thereby he lost an opport[ty]. of offering any thing further tow[ds]. his clearance w[ch]. being what reasons I have to offer upon this affair, I remain

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

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TO THE HON[BLE]. FRA[S]. HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESID[T]. & GOV[R]. &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

It is always a very great Concern to me whenev[r]. I think my self oblig'd to declare in so Publick a manner my opinion to be diff[t]. from that of your Hon[rs]. &c[a]. because I have observ'd from experience it gener[lly]. creates some disgust & because noth[r]. I have yet been able to say has had any effect to convince you but that it

proceeded from some other motive besides an obligation to declare my real sentimts. but however unfortunate I may be by that I hope I shall never suffer it to be of so much weight wth. me as to make me declare my opinion diff. from my real Sentiment and I'm Inclin'd to beleive you'l think I have acted accordingly when you are acquainted wth. my reasons for differing from your Honr. &ca. in the Case of Dev'roy the Warehouse Conicoply.

The Plaintiff in his Petition setts forth that the sd. Devroy did in his house forcibly use his Brothrs. Wife and it was sd. the Woman would take her oath he did so, The Defendt. declard to your Honr. &ca. that he sent for her at the request of her husbds. brother and [did] Own she was in his house from Thursday night to Sunday morning but that she staid so long was at her own desire as she herself own'd for fear her husband should Murder her and the Defendt. did consent till they could be reconcil'd or it could be represented to one of the Justice[s] for further perticulrs. I wish I could referr my self to the Defendts. answr. to the Plaintiffs petition which this Honble. board did once give him libty. to make but it has been his greatest misfortune that he never had an opporttr. to deliver in any regular ansr. in wch. I beleive he could have sett ye. mattr. in so true a light & have brôt so full proof of the truth of his asser[tion] as would have made his innocence very clearly appr. Your Honr. &ca. seem'd to be of opinion that he never forc'd her and I was in hopes after you beleiv'd she had so far falsly accus'd him you'd not barely upon her word have judg'd him Guilty of any lew'd act wth. her much less the Crime he is charg'd wth. It would in my opinion have been very material to have examin'd the Defendts. family and it is very probable his Wife could have given a much bettr. accot. of him the Saturday night it was said he committed the Crime than this wicked woman whose Lew'd Character as well as the poor Indigt. Circumstances of her husbd. & Brothr. may give room to suspect they would be at the expence of a lye when they have hopes they should be paid for it.

As to the papr. produc'd before the board the 27th. ulto. said to be a translate of a declaratn. sign'd by the heads of the sevll. Casts I wish ye. prest. case would ꝑmit me to pass it by in silence, when they were call'd before Your Honr. &ca. the 24th. to know their opins. I remembr. they declar'd they were not fully acquainted wth. the Case & desir'd till Monday the 27th. to examine into it before they could come to a resolutn. I beleive it so Plain & beyond any dispute that they sign'd the papr. ye. 24th. at night & wth.out examing. one ꝑson eithr. of one side or other that I can't think any of 'em will deny it, how they come to do so, I will not take upon me to say, but this I think I may say as It was wt. I said before yor. Honr. &ca. when it was read that it was very unjust in them to sign to so positive a presumption wth.out any reason wn. they might readily suppose the fate of the Defendt. would depend upon it & ye. more so because I beleive most of them were really of opinion that he was not Guilty.

Having said thus much to your Honr. &ca. and declar'd to you my beleif concerning the Evidence and Circumstances I do once more here declare that it is my real opinion and I do in my conscience really beleive him not Guilty of any Lew'd behaviour wth. the Rashwar Woman.

Your Honr. &ca. will I hope excuse the Liberty I have taken and the trouble I have given you in detaining you thus long. I assure you it is not wth. design to enter further into the business much less to gratify any body but solely to clear my self to your Honr. &ca. and My Hon̄ Masters. I am wth. much Respect

Honble. Sr. &ca.

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March the 6th. 17$\frac{20}{21}$. — Richd. Benyon.

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To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort Sr. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Having thoroughly consider'd the affair of Deveroy in relatn. to the Rashwar woman wch. your Honr. &ca. was pleasd to determine in favour of said woman the Last Consultation the reasons why I desir'd leave to dissent are as follows.

First because tis said this woman for her loose behaviour had been sent up in the Country by her husband in ordr. to be secur'd by his friends there from whence she made her Escape and got privately into our Washing town wch. her husbands brother hearing of apply'd himself to Devroy (who as Warehousekeeprs. Conicoply had in some measure the care of the Washers) and desir'd his assistance to procure her. Accordingly she was brôt to his house about ten a Clock at night upon wch. he order'd her to be carry'd to her husband but the Woman said it was then too late to go for fear of being taken up by the Outrounds and desir'd leave to continue there all night to wch. Devroy consented. The next morning he came early to the Fort being then busie about the Dispatch of the Europe Shipping and upon his going home late at night found them still at his house, he then ask'd why she was not carry'd to her husband but they told him that she was afraid of being made away wth. and desir'd that he would (as being one of the heads of the Cast) [make] matters up so yt. it is my opinion Devroy did not [detain] her in his house wth. any design to be wth. her but purely [to prevent] her from being murther'd and as there is no Wittness [to the] Circumstance more than the Womans offering her Oath that Devroy forc'd her & all yt. force offer'd (as she her self says) was no more yn. promising her some Jewells I cannot think such an Oath Sufficient to condemn him as Guilty. I am

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Fort St. George — Yor. Most Obedt. Humble. Servant

John Emmerson.

Declaratn. given to the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council by the Bramins of the Rt. and Left hand Casts.

That Devroy kept in his house the Wife of a Rajah three or four days together & would not delivr. her up thô he was Requir'd to do it sevl. times by ye. sd. Rajah and we beleive as she her self likewise declares and will [have] her Oath that he lay wth. her by Force for wch. transgress[ion] We leave to yor. Honr. &ca. to punish him as yo. may think fit.

Ramiah, Rangiah, Gongaram, Madogenaik, Sudumu[ll] Moodu, Yeacombrum, Nairo Verrapa, Nairo Bal Chittee, Ramonzallu, Duntum Tim Chitty, Zalacuddagoe Ball Chittee, Pooncala Rajah Gopaul, Poncala Gruapah, Poncala Kistna, Ramodoss, Bode Chittee, Mulla Chitty, Conata Chitty, Peddu Na[ik], Andu Pone, Tondava, Pascole Covale, Tonde Dudallu, Yeaga[pah], Millapore Moorte, Pollecundrũm Coopa, Chintana, Pitcha Ve[rapa], Coocausue Telle Veragovia, Kistna, Mootian, Allan Gaul [...] Devashacomena. — Rt. Hand Cast.

Perretombe Chitte, Tomba Chitty, Mootu Vinkety Chitte, Collastrea Chitty, Naga Balandu, Goldsmith Kistnama [Asar], Mutta Marra, Moorte, Muddu Lingum. — Left Do.

Ship Brittania Capt. William Crossing arrd. frõ Fort St. David. 8

Ship Sambashu Pallisam Owner sail'd to Ganjam. 9

Ship Animaund Woolabu Ownr. sail'd to Ditto. 10

Ship Charles Capt. John Wilkie arrived frõ Bombay. 11

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Pres^t.

MONDAY 13TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R.	PRESID^T. [& GOV^R.]
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Mint Acco^t. for February [read.]

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint[mas]ter reads that acco^t. for last month ballance due from him Pag^s. 9. 25. 60 wch. are paid in.

[Journ]all Parcells for Jan̄ry [read].

Richard Horden Accomptant reads the Journal parcells for the month of January.

The Store-keep^r. reports that M^r. Walsh informs him y^t. the Ball^{ce}. of Capt. Middleton's acco^t. has not [be]en paid.

John Emmerson storekeeper reports y^t. he had inquir'd of M^r. Walsh the late Cheif Moco [Moco] concerning the ballance of Capt. Middletons acco^t. who says it was never discharg'd by him and has deliver'd in a Certificate to confirm the same. It is therefore order'd that Capt. William Middleton be paid the ballance of s^d. acco^t. being Dollars 714 and that M^r. Walsh's certificate be enter'd after this Consultat^n.

[The] Presid^t. since last Cons̃ hav^g. reperused Messrs. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson's papers [of] dissent thinks fit to make [the] following remarks on

The Presid^t. represents to the board that since the last Consultation was held he has reperus'd Messrs. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson's papers of dissent to the Affair of Devroy and that he thinks it proper to make the following Remarks thereupon by way of recapitulation.

M^r. Turner's

M^r. Turner in his paper (said to be the reasons for dissenting to the aforemention'd affair) seems to extenuate Devroys Crime by urging y^t. the Rashwar woman was reputed a person of a loose Character some time since from whence he inferrs he cannot be of opinion that she was ravishd by him for wch. reason he refuses to consent to the Punishment of the man, But by the former part of the last Consultat^n. (wch. is already sign'd) it appears that Deveroy is not to suffer for being guilty of a rape but for seducing, debauching and forcibly detaining the afores^d. woman from her husband when demanded by him, and therefore M^r. Turner is not an Oppon^t. but a Neutral Person in this case. In another part of his said Paper he urges that Devroy[s] Negative Oath should be esteem'd of more weight than the woman's affirmative one, but that is very well known to be contrary to the com̄on rules of Justice in England where the Woman is often times allow'd to be a substan[tive] evidence against the man in such a case althô a party concern'd. M^r. Turner further urges that Devroys Oath ought not only to be preferr'd to the womans but that his weighty charge of Warehouse Conicoply should add weight enuff to it to clear his innocence thô that Argument is of no manner of force because his Vile scandalous Character wth. respect to his way of life (so well known to most people thô but lately discover'd to the President and acknowledg'd by M^r. Turner himself to be true) is a Substan[tive] reason for dismissing him from that Office as none [such] ought to be continued in the Honble. Companys Service.

M^r. Benyon's

M^r. Benyon in the long preamble to his Paper of dissent on the same occasion takes a great deal of pains to insinuate that the board is always disgusted when he differs from them in opinion which is little better than telling them that they are disgusted wth. him for Complying wth. the Companys Directions. In the body of the

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said paper he alledges that Devroy never had a fair opportunity to clear himself as he ought to have and that he should have had the liberty of delivering in his ans^r^. in writing but the Choultry Dubash who was y^e^. Interpreter on y^t^. occasion being sent for and ask'd if he did not call upon Dev'roy more than once or twice for the same, he declar'd in the affirmative & most of the persons at the board remember'd that such a liberty was granted him verbally thô not Judg'd of importance enô to be minuted. As to M^r^. Benyons insinuat^n^. wth. respect to the Casts being influenc'd in relat^n^. to the signing their Paper of Arbitration against Devroy, The board cannot but think it a very unbecoming one and ought not to be even suggested unless due proof could be made but the President supposes that M^r^. Benyons suspicion thereof arises from an order wch. he gave the Choultry Dubash and other black servants to keep the People of the Sev^ll^. Casts together that night least they should disperse themselves so as not to be able to meet again to effect the business w^th^.in the time limitted. M^r^. Benyon adds that he beleives they sign'd the Paper w^th^.out examining the Persons on one side or other and speaks it by way of reflection against them wch. the board are very much surpriz'd at, because the most impartial way in Such cases is to examine Persons of neither one side nor the other but such as are altogether Neutral, he further intimates that the Plaintiff defend^t^. and Evidences sho'd have been brôt before them and severally examin'd, Whereas the board are of opinion that the Substance of the Depositions on all Sides having been communicated to them by the Honble. Companys Sworn Servants was sufficient for them to Judge by together wth. the reports wch. they had heard from other hands concern^g^. the matter because the admission of a formal tryal and hearing of the Sev^ll^. partys before the said Casts would have been in a manner forming them into a Court of Judicature Superiour to ourselves as they were to Judge of a matter wth. wch. they then might reasonably suppose they were better acquainted than our selves and the Intent of the board at that time was only to ask their opinions concern^g^. a very great nicety [much] observ'd amongst a perticular Sect of them in order to make all partys perfectly easie wth. respect to the Sentence wch. we should afterwards pass upon the Defend^t^. and this is a Practice wch. has often been recommended to us by our Honble. Masters.

As to M^r^. Benyons Suspicion that the low Circumstances of the Complainants might prompt them to be Guilty of lying as well as Perju[ry] for the sake of a Reward tis a Daingerous, unchari[table] and a wrong suggestion and more perticularly the latter because they are well known to be of a Cast who profess the Strictest honour and Integrity and wou'd sooner forfeit their lives than be Guilty of so base an action.

M^r^. Emmerson in his Paper of Dissent acknowledges that Dev'roy (as is alledgd) did forcibly detain the Raswar woman in his house but beleives it was not done wth. a design to debauch her and as that is his Principal reason for his s^d^. dissent from the Sentence passd upon Dev'roy the board think it proper to make only this Remark thereupon, that he has dissented for one of the same reasons for wch. we assented to his Punishment namely the forcibly detaining the Woman from her Husband. *on M^r^. Emmerson's.*

M^r^. Horden acquaints the board that he had purchas'd of M^r^. Thomas Theobalds the peice of Ground on Egmore plain adjoyning his Garden that was granted M^r^. Theobalds by this board as ℘ lease appears, and desires that he may have said lease and what formerly granted him made into one and further requests that as there has been a drought ever since the afores^d^. leases were granted that the leases may Commence from this time and desires, to pre[vent] any disputes wth. the Inhabit^ts^. of Egmore, that it may be incerted in the lease that he has liberty to make use of the tank or river water as occasion serves. *M^r^. Horden desires to have the Lease lately granted M^r^. Theobalds (wch. he has purchas'd of him) & that formerly granted himself made into one & that he may have the Liberty of using the Tank or River water of Egmore.*

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The Sec^{ry}. to draw out a Lease accordingly.

Agreed that as his request is reasonable it be granted and that the Secretary is order'd to draw [out] a lease accordingly.

Farmers of Egmore call'd in and their debt demanded, who agree rather to pay the full sum than take their oath to the Acco^{t}. deliver'd in wch. the Sec^{ry}. is therefore ord^{d}. [to] call upon them for.

Colloway & Venketty Chitte &c^{a}. Farmers of Egmore were call'd in and dem^{ded}. of them whither they would pay their debt to the Company or take their Oath to the acco^{t}. they deliver'd in upon wch. they requested that the Inhabitants of those villages who had the care of the farm might be put to their oaths because they were the persons who could best give an acco^{t}. of what the said farm did realy produce, whereupon they were plainly told that those inferiour people were not the persons from whom the Company expected their mony but from those who perticularly rented the farm and that they must either take their Oath or pay the full sum̃ demanded wch. be^{g}. exac[t]ly agreable to the Honble. Comp^{as}. orders They were acquainted there[wth.] And having deliberated upon the matter they agreed rather to [pay] the full Sum̃ than to take their Oaths upon any occasion whatsoever it being (as they alledge) look'd upon as a very odious thing among their Cast & would consequently be attended wth. ill consequences to them & their familys. It is therefore order'd that they do pay the sum̃ of Pag^{s}. 1780 for wch. they stand indebted in their books and that the Secretary calls upon them accordingly for the same.

The Warehousek^{r}. acquaints [the] Board of the Broad Cloth [&c^{t}.] being much damaged [and] desires the ord^{s}. of the Board concerning them.

Thomas Cooke Warehousekeep^{r}. acquaints the board that the Broad Cloth and other Woolen goods in the Godowns in the Fort are much damagd by the Worm and y^{t}. if they lie longer they will probably prove a greater detriment to the Honble. Company, he therefore desires y^{e}. orders of the board concern^{g}. them.

[The] Damaged Goods to be [sold] at Outcry & the other [to] be shifted.

Order'd that the Warehousek^{r}. shift all the Woolen goods into the Arch'd Godowns and y^{t}. he sells them wch. are damag'd the very first opportunity at Outcry.

Fra : Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.

Whereas the ballance of Capt. William Midd[letons] acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. wth. the Honble. Company dated at Soongey Lama the 29th. Octr. 1720 amount^{g}. to Dollars
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[. . .] 2. 86 is s^{d}. to be p^{d}. him by me Joseph Walsh on behalf of that acco^{t}. These are to certify whom it may concern that I did not pay the ballance of said acco^{t}. or was I any ways allow'd by the Honble. Company for the same. I do further certify that the Impress money or wages for the George Brigantine was paid at Moco Moco only to the Primo Sepr. 1720, Also that Capt. Middleton bought Sundry stores for her use at Padang. Witness my hand this 9th. day of March $17\frac{20}{1}$.

Joseph Walsh.

21. Ship Dolphin Capt. William Montgomery arr^{d}. frô. Bengall.

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Prest.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. [& GOVR.]

TUESDAY 21ST.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
ICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Joshua Draper Rental Generall and Scavinger pays in Pagodas 650 on the followg. accots. Vizt. [Rentall] Genll. & scavinger [pays in] Pags. 650.

Accot. Quit Rent	447	32	—			
Accot. scavingrs. duty	52	4	—			
				500	—	—
for 3 months Botick Rent and Shroffs duty				75	—	—
for 3 do. ending the 28th. February				75	—	—
Pags.				650	—	—

He also pays in Pags. 22. 8 fa for six months Sallary wch. was paid to Abram Wessell when he was going to the West Coast. Also Pags. 22: 8 for salary advanc'd Abraham Wesell.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that accot. for last month Vizt. Paymastrs. accot. for February read.

Charges Garrison	2187	32	—
Charges Generall	764	32	25
Charges Cattle	123	25	65
New Warehouse	85	2	70
Charges Extraordry.	66	17	—
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortificats.	138	34	45
Charges Diet	407	8	20
Diet and stores laid in	513	21	9
Garden Bridge	233	2	40
	4530	32	34

ballance due to him Pags. 1530. 32. 34 wch. is order'd to be paid. Ballce. due to him 1530. 32. 34.

Upon examining the Extraordinary expences for last month We find them to arise from the following perticulars Vizt. [The] Extraordinary Expence [exam.in'd into.

CHARGES GARRISON for makg. 100 Quilts, 100 Gowns, [. . .] Shirts, 120 breeches, 100 Caps, 200 Pillow beers and 20 [rolls] of Cotlacg. as ℔ accot. ...	226	17	[...]
NEW WAREHOUSE	85	2	[70]
CHARGES EXTRAORDRY for diet to Prisonrs., watr. to Soldrs. at ye. Out guards & travellg. charges of Mr. Wendys to & from F. St. David, also for provisg. to him, Messrs. Berlu, Morgan & Berriman	66	1[7]	—
REBUILDING THE GARDEN BRIDGE	233	[2]	[40]
Pags.	611	3	[...]

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[James] Johnson Engineer [delivers] in a paper desiring [to be] continued in y[e]. Comp[as]. [service].

James Johnston Engineer delivers in a Paper (as enterd after this Consultation) sett[g]. forth the manner of his being sent hither by the Company and from hence to Bombay wth. the reasons he refus'd to comply wth. the orders for going to Gerah & desiring to be continued in the Companys Service in the station he came out.

[y]e Presid[t]. & Council of Bombay [hav[g]. dismissed] the s[d]. M[r]. Johnson [from] service as appears by Gen[ll] Lett[r]. dated Dec[r]. [9th.] 1720, puts it out of our [power] to reinstate him but [his ind]igent circumstances [be[g].] consider'd y[e]. Board think [fit to] allow him 12 Pag[s]. ℘ m[o]. [till he] can go for England.

The Parrag[th]. in the Presid[t]. and Councils Letter from Bombay dated the 9th. of Decemb[r]. 1720 relating to the said Engineer Johnston being reperus'd We find that they had actually dismiss'd him the Companys Service for breach of Presid[t]. Boons orders by w[ch]. t'is put out of our Power to reinstate him as he desires, but the Indigent Circumstances of him and his family (who must undoubtedly starve w[th].out some Provision be made for them till they have an opp[ty]. of embarqueing for Engl[d].) being taken into Consideration The board came to the resolut[n]. to allow the said Engineer Johnston a monthly allowance of 12 pag[s]. ℘ mens for the maintenance of him and his Family during the time they stay here and that our Hon[ble]. Masters be acquaint[d]. wth. it and y[e]. reasons w[ch]. induc'd us thereto by first Opportunity.

[Peti]tion of Michael Murrall [ag[st].] Capt. Middleton read.

Michael Murral presents a Petition ag[st]. Cap[t]. William Middleton late Command[r]. of [the] Companys Vessel the George Brigantine [for] abusing him during the time he was under [him] as Gunner of said Vessel, The said Michael Murral being sent for in confirm'd the Severall Allegat[s]. in his Petition and enumerated many circumstances of his s[d]. Misusuage, upon w[ch]. Cap[t]. Middleton appear'd & after the Petition was Read to him he was ask'd concern[g]. the treatm[t]. he gave the man aboard, who reply'd he could not but confess that he had beat him sev[l]. times for getting drunk and mak[g]. a disturbance amongst the Lascars & [people] in y[e]. Ship but that his Usuage to him was otherwise than w[t]. represented thô he meritted much [worse]. He likewise acknowledg'd that his continual drink[ing] forc'd him to throw overboard the Case of Brandy [in] hopes to keep him Sober but instead of hav[g]. that Effect he afterw[ds]. prov'd much worse & when he had [none] of his own he stole what he could come at of other peoples, w[ch]. oblig'd him (after he found there was [no] likelyhood to reclaim him) to displace him & put [him] in his room, Cap[t]. Middleton then requested the board would please to send for M[r]. Walsh the late Cheif of [Moco] Moco who came over a passeng[r]. in the Brigantine and is well acquainted wth. this mans behaviour and Character both on y[e]. West Coast and in the said Vessel. M[r]. Walsh being accordingly sent for declar'd that during the time he was on y[e]. West Coast he was generally Drunk & making disturbances among the Sol[diers] & other people there, that on board the Brigantine he was the same & desir'd leave to repeat one [sample] of his behaviour w[ch]. was, when the Vessel lay at [. . .] the Mate came ashoar in y[e]. boat and told the Captain that there was a Mutiny made in the Vessel by this Murral & unless he went aboard immediately it might be attended wth. ill consequences whereupon Capt. Middleton & himself went aboard, found this Murral in Liquour who had got the smal [Arms] upon Deck loaded, in ord[r]. as he often said to shoot the Captain, upon wch. he being apprehended, was confin'd & Punish'd thô not wth. y[t]. riguor as he himself expresses or as y[e]. nature of the Crime deserv'd.

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The President declares to the board that One Price who is cheif Mate of the George Brigantine had been this morning & had given him just the same acco^{t}. upon wch. the board came to the following Resolut^{n}. that the Comp^{t}. of said Murral was ill grounded, false & malicious, and as he is known to every body to be an intollerable Sott and not fit to be intrusted, that he be call'd in & severely reprimanded & declar'd incapable of serving the Honble. Company in any of their Vessells hereafter.

Price the cheif Mate of the [Brig] confirms the acco^{t}. [given by] Capt. Middleton.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints y^{e}. board that he has Rec^{d}. repeated advices from our spy Peons at the Nabobs Camp relating to Chiclis Cawns coming this way wth. a very powerfull army that he had Summon'd all the Nabobs of this Country to come to him to give an acco^{t}. of their managem^{t}. and that tis thought he will come to Chingie, he therefore proposes to every one to consider whither his coming this way may not prejudice the Honble. Comp^{as}. affairs if we do not send a present attended wth. proper persons to treat wth. him. The Presid^{t}. further acq^{ts}. the board y^{t}. tis reported Diaram is wth. him, but as theres no certainty of it at present he intends to make further inquiry & communicate to them w^{t}. advices he shall from time to time receive relating thereto that they may form their resolutions accordingly.

[y^{e}.] Presid^{t}. acquaints [y^{e}.] Board of having rec^{d}. [repe]ated advices of Chickly's [Cawn's] coming this way [with] a powerfull army.

The sallary being due to the Honble. Camp^{as}. Coven^{ted}. Serv^{ts}. for the last six months, ORD^{D}. that the Accomp^{t}. lays y^{e}. acco^{t}. of the same before us next Consultat^{n}.

Accomp^{t}. to prepare the [Acco^{t}.] Salary against next Consultation

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE CASE OF JAMES JOHNSTON ENGINEER.

WHEREAS Your Petition^{r}. came out as Engineer, Bombardier &c^{a}. for y^{e}. place of Madrass as by the 11th. Parragth. of y^{e}. Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. dated the 4th. March 1718, may appear and y^{t}. upon your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. pleas^{r}. he was to be sent to any subordinate Factory for the Service of y^{e}. Honble. Company his Masters for on[e] Season & Bombay being perticularly mentioned in the s^{d}. Parragth. his Hon^{r}. Collet accordingly gave Commiss^{n}. to your Pet^{r}. to go as afores^{d}. to Bombay there to instruct them in Fortificat^{s}. necess^{ry}. for def[ence] of y^{t}. Island and for stopp^{g}. y^{e}. breach but before [his] arrival Your Pet^{r}. was met by a Vessel from His Hon^{r}. Boone wth. orders to go aboard a Bomb Ketch to fight agst. Angria. Now your Pet^{r}. not think^{g}. them Suff^{t}. orders & being altogether unacq^{ted}. wth. the materials proper for such proceedings did not comply therewth. & hav^{g}. staid there a Season according to his orders & finding nothing to do was willing to come to Madrass as being the only place he could hope for refuge from, therefore he humbly hopes Yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Gentleman of Council will take [it] into Considerat^{n}. & Continue Yo^{r}. Petition^{r}. in y^{e}. Ho[n^{ble}.] Companys Service where he shal always be Ready to obey Yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. orders who is

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

MARCH 15TH. 172$\frac{[0]}{[1]}$. Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.

JAMES JOHNSTON.

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23 Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David.

24 Rec^{d}. 2 Gen^{ll}. Letters from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 18th. & 20th. Instant.

26 The George Brigantine (belonging to the hon^{ble}. Company) Capt. William Crossing Command^{r}. sail'd for Bengall by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort Willm. dtaed y^{e}. 23^{d}. Ins^{t}.

-- Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 21st. Ins^{t}.

AT A CONSULTATION

Pres^{t}.

THURSDAY 30TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

[Fort S^{t}.] David Cash and [Merch^{ts}.] acco^{ts}. reported [to be] right.

The Accomptant reports that he has examin'd the Fort S^{t}. David Cash and Merchants Acco^{ts}. & finds them right.

Import Warehouse-k^{rs}. [acco^{t}.] for Febry. read.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeeper reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him 6114. 35. [...]

Export Warehouse-k^{rs}. [acco^{t}.] for Febry. read.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousek^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 22317. 6. 30 of wch. he pays in 3000 Pagodas.

[Sea] Customers Acco^{t}. for February read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that acco^{t}. for last month Viz^{t}.

Custom on goods Imported & Exported	1916	15	6
Custom on Grain	1422	23	68
Anchorage	84	—	—
	3423	2	74

[Ball^{ce}.] due fro. him 6593. 6. 78.

Ballance due from him Pagodas 6593. 6. 78.

[Land] Custom^{r}. pays in [his last] months ball^{ce}.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in his last months Ballance being Pag^{s}. 367. 16. 33.

Fort S^{t}. David Gen^{ll}. Letters read Viz.

Generall Letters from the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David read Viz^{t}.

of the 17 & 18th. Inst.

Of the 17th. and 18th. ins^{t}. to inclose Invoice and bills of Loading for bales put aboard Sloops Rama and Amity for this place.

of the 20th. & 21st. Ins^{t}.

[Of] the 20 & 21st. to advise of Sloop Amitys being lost in the late Storm and of their recovering nineteen of the twenty bales put aboard her.

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Mr. Thomas Cooke desiring the allowance of 150 dollars ℔ Mensem for his dieting charges during the time he was Depty. Governr. of the West Coast according to the Honble. Companys orders in their Generall Letter to [ys.] place by the Hartford of wch. he delivers in an accot. amounting in all to nine hundred dollars wch. at 15 for ten Pagodas is Six hundred Pagodas.

Mr. Cooke desiring the allowance of 150 Dollrs. ℔ mensem accordg. to the Companys orders ℔ the Hartford, For his dyeting charges at the West Coast, Its

Agreed that Thomas Cooke be paid the sd. Sum̃ of Pags. six hundred and that Fort Marlbrô be debted for it accordingly.

Agreed to be pd. him.

Joshua Draper representing that there are a Couple of old Godowns belonging to the Honble. Compa. situated on ye. back side of his house adjoining to the Town Wall wch. are of little use to them and serve [only] to harbour Vermine and having occasion for that [peice] of ground to make a Stable and some other Conveni[ences] he offers to buy the same at the rate of 2½ pags. for ev[ery] Jentue foot wch. is ye. rate the Honble. Company usually [sold] their ground at.

Mr. Draper having occasion for 2 old Godowns which are of little use to the Compa. & offering to buy them at the accustomary rate, It's

Agreed that the said Joshua Drapers request be granted & yt. a bill of Sale be drawn out and Sign'd to him after the ground is measur'd.

Agreed to grant his [request].

Nathll. Turner Paymaster pays in Pags. 53. 12. accot. one of the Honble. Companys Slaves wch. Mr. Pyke carried wth. him to the West Coast and sold there for yt. sum̃.

[Nathll.] Turner pays in [Pags. 53] 12 for a Slave sent [with] Mr. Pyke to the W. [Coast] & sold by him there.

Order'd that Pagods. twenty thousand be sent to Fort St. David under charge of Forty Peons as a present supply for their Cash.

[Pags.] 20,000 to be sent to [Fort] St. David.

The Accomptant produces the Accot. Sallary due to the Honble. Companys Covenanted Servts. for the last six months. Order'd that the same be paid.

[Salary] Accot. produc'd [&] Order'd to be paid.

The heads of the Casts according to ordr. delivr. in their opinion (as enter'd hereafter) of what recompence Devaroy ought to make the injurd Rashwar in order to reinstate him to his Cast and to defray the Charges of another Wedding, to do wch. they say it will cost 400 Pagodas.

[The] heads of the sevll. Casts deliver in their [aw]ard in the case between Devroy and Ve[n]ckete-rauze.

Order'd that Deveroy pay unto the sd. Rashwar the Sum̃ of four hundred pagodas according to the aforesd. Award given in by the heads of the Casts who are the properest Judges of this affair, because they are so well acqted. wth. the perticulr. Ceremonys of yt. Sect of People thrô wch. he must pass, before he can be restor'd to the good Opinion of his Cast and be permitted to marry agn. wth. the numerous Charges yt. attend such occasions.

Devroy to pay the Rashwar 400 Pags. [accordg.] to the award [of] the Casts.

Fra: Hastings
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nathll. Turner
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1721*—

TRANSLATE OF A PAPER GIVEN BY THE UNDERWRITTEN PERSONS TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. 10TH. MARCH 17[20/1].

Your Honr. was pleased to leave it to us to consider and give our opinion how much we thought proper Devroy should pay to the Rashwar for the damages he Sustain'd we have accordingly considerd the matter & thi[nk] he ought to pay four hundred Pagodas being it will cost him so much for to get into the Cast again and pay for his wedding.

NAIRA VERAPA CHITTY, MOORADE RAMONZALUM, MOODE MOODULARE, TONDUA MOORTE, CHUNGALIAH, PONCALA KISNA, PONCALA RAJAH GOPAUL, PAUM [...] VINKITTY PUTTY, MANAGAPAH.

30 Ship Brittania Capt. William Middleton sail'd to ye. W. Coast.

31 Sloop Margery Titus Oates Master arrd. from Bengall by whom recd. a Genll. Letter from the Presidt. & Council of Fort William dated the 28th. Ulto.

APRILL 2. Brig. Mary Ann Capt. Crompton arrived from Anjengo.

4 Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson sail'd for Fort St. David.

8 Recd. a Genll. Letter from Mr. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 22d. Ulto.

9 Ship Jerusalem Capt. Robt. Washington sail'd for Bengall.

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort Sr. David dated the 5th. Inst.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Prest.

MONDAY 10TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.	PRESIDT. & GOVR.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Cash accot. for March read.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. reads the accot. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ballce. remaining Pags. 99369. 33. 21.

Land [Cus]tomrs. Accot. for March read.

Richard Benyon Land Custr. reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

Choultry Custom	256	—	[...]
Ruby Brokerage	2	11	[...]
Registere. 13 Slaves	2	32	[...]
	261	7	[...]

Balle. due fro him 242 : 6 : 77.

ballance due from him pagodas 242. 6. 77.

13,000 Pags. paid in Accot. ye. China Cargo.

Thomas Cooke Impt. Warehousekr. pays in pags. 13000 accot. the Cargo of Ship Bridgewater from China.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1721*—

Generall Letters read Vizt.

Genll. Letters Viz.

From the Presidt. and Council of Fort William dated the 28th. February to advise of the dispatch of the Shipps. for Europe and to Inclose Invoice and bill of Lading for 700 bags of Salt Petre sent upon the Sloop Margery for ys. place wch. the Warehousekr. is order'd to send for ashoare.

From Bengall.

The President and Council of Fort William desire us to send down one hundred and Fifty tons of Redwood over and above the Quantity we design for the ships in[tend]ed for their Port.

The Presidt. & Council of Bengall desire us to send down 150 Tons of Redwood wch. the

Order'd that the Warehousekr. provide one hundred and Fifty tons of Redwood we having not Su[ffi]cient in store for our Expected Europe Shipping and [to] Supply the Bay wth. the Quantity demanded.

Warehousekr. is order'd to provide.

From Mr. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatm. dated the 22d. ulto. to Inclose his accot. for the preceeding month and to acknowledge the receipt of the three hundred pagodas sent him by bill of Exchange.

[From] Metchlepatam.

From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapm. dated the 17th. ulto. to advise of the arrival of the Brigantine Theana and the Vizagapm. Merchant wth. the treasure, Wares & Stores sent upon them & to forwd. their Diarys & Consultas. Cash & Paymrs. accots.

From Vizagapatam.

From the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 5th. Inst. to accompa. their Cash and Merchants accots. for Last month.

[From] Fort St. David.

Order'd that Nathaniel Turner Paymr. be advanc'd pags. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

[Paymr.] to be advanced [3000] Pags.

The Padre's belonging to the Portuguese Church in this place deliver in a petition (as enter'd hereafter) setting forth the Condition of their Church wch. is so old & Crazy that they find themselves necessitated to rebuild it to make it ye. more commodious for their officiating therein and Desiring our permission to enter on the sd. Work.

[Peti]tion of the Padrees [desir]ing leave to rebuild [their] Church wch. is [grown] old & craizy.

The said petition being taken into Consideratn. it is Agreed that as the sd. Portuguese Padrees have always behav'd themselves very respectfully towds. ye. Compa. and the Government here and as there is an apparent necessity to repair their Church that they have permission to begin the said Work at what time they see most Convenient.

Granted.

Thomas Wright representS. yt. he stands a Creditor upon ye. books for 25 pags. wch. he advd. the Wives of those soldiers who were sent from Fort St. David hither for the then intended expedition to Dieu and was Stopd here by Mr. Legg who paid it into Cash in May 1718, but it being omitted to be advis'd of to Fort St. David he could never tell till now where the sd. mony was lodg'd, he Therefore desires an ordr. of the board for ye. paymt. of sd. Sum wch. is Granted.

Mr. Wright standing Creditor on ye. Books Pags. fa. 24 : 30 (being for [mon]ey advanced Soldrs. wives) desires an ordr. [of] paymt. of sd. Sum [wch]. is granted.

Fra : Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

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To the Honble. Fras Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. &ca. Councill.

The Petition of the Portuguese Padre's

Sheweth

That the Church belonging to the Capuchins in this Place being very old & Crazy Your Petitrs. therefore humbly desire your Honr. &ca. permission to repair the same and they as in Duty bound shall Ever Pray.

Accot. Salary due to the Honble. Companys Covenant'd Servants from Sepr. the 25th. 1720 to March ye. 25th. 1721 is 6 m[onths].

The Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Governour at £s. 200 ₱ annum	100						
Do. 100 Gratuity	50	150	—	—	333	12	—
The Worspll. Richd. Horden Esqr. 2d. & Accompt. 100 ₱ añ		50	—	—	111	4	—
Mr. Thomas Cooke 3d. & Warehousekr. ...	70	35	—	—	77	28	—
Mr. Randall Fowke 4th. & Sea Customr. ...	50	25	—	—	55	20	—
Mr. Nathaniel Turner 5th. & Paymastr. ...	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Richard Benyon 6th. & Land Custor. ...	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr John Emmerson 7th. & Storekeepr. ...	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Joshua Draper 8th. & Scavinger	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Thomas Wright 9th. & Receiver	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Do. Gratuity as Secry. @	10	5	—	—			
		25	—	—	55	20	—
Mr. Thomas Faucett Senr. Mercht.	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Edward Croke Do.	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Augustus Burton Do.	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Thomas Willford Do.	40	20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. James Hubbard Junr. Mercht.	30	15	—	—	33	12	—
Mr. George Tullie Do.	30	15	—	—	33	12	—
Mr. Stephen Newcome Factor to Sepr. the 30th. @	15	—	4	2			
Do. Junr. Mercht. to 25 Mar : is 5 mo 25 da @.	30	14	11	8			
		14	15	10	32	31	[...]
Mr. Joseph Walsh Junr. Mercht. frõ. ye. 9th. February	30	3	16	8	8	18	[...]

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Mr. John Clarke Factor	15	7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. John Acton Do.	15	7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. George Beel Do.	15	7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. John Lauder Writer	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Sands Davis Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Thos. Pennyman Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. John Fullagar Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Thomas Dunster Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Charles Fleetwood Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Paul Foxley Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. John Russon Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Joshua Bayes Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Matthew Empson Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Abraham Wessell Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Nicolas Morse Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Richard English Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Richard Carter Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr Charles Peers Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Thomas Black[all] Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—
Mr. Robert Woolley Do. from Sepr. 25 to Jau. 31st. is 4 mo 6 da	5	1	15	—	3	32	—
Mr. Thomas Fenwick Do.	5	2	10	—	5	20	—

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Mr. John Boult Writer from Janry. 19th. to March 25 is 2 mo 6 da ...	5	—	18	4	2	1	27
The Revd. Mr. Thos. Wendey Ministr.	100	50	—	—	111	4	—
Mr. Catesby Oadham Essay Mastr. ...	80	40	—	—	88	32	—
Doctr. Duncan Munro Surgeon ...	36	18	—	—	40	—	—
Doctr. Andrew Pecheir Do. ...	36	18	—	—	40	—	—
	£s.	687	5	10	Ps. 1527	11	[27]

FORT St. GEORGE
MARCH ye. 27th. 1721.

ERRORS EXCEPTED

℔ RICHARD HORDEN
Ac[com]pt.

Ship Jesu Maria Joseph Seignr. Basilio arrd. from [M]anilha. 10

Brig. Mary Ann Capt. Crompton sail'd for B[enga]ll. —

Dispatchd. ℔ Tappys a Genll. Letter to the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David to accompany twenty thousand Pagodas sent undr. charge of forty Peons. —

[*A few words lost*] Pegu. —

Brig. Diligence Capt. George Heron arrd. from Pegu. 14

The Arabian Merch't. Capt. Richd. Williams saild for Bengall. —

Sloop Margery Titus Oates Mastr. sail'd to Ditto. —

Brig Phœnix Christian Williboorts arrived from Surat. 16

Brig Augulle Michael Fournier arrived from Atcheen. —

Ship Bon Voyage Cojee Simon Ownr. arrived from Pegu. 18

Ship Eli (belonging to the King of Pegu) arrived frō Ditto. —

Ship Munchu Capt. Jno. Dovre arrived from the Maldives. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Prest.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDr. & GOVR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

THURSDAY 20TH.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

Paymasters Accot. for March read.

Charges Garrison ...	1973	21	[...]
Charges Generall ...	659	18	[...]
Charges Extraordry. ...	15	[15]	[65]
Dieu Island ...	10	—	—
Charges Cattle ...	128	25	[...]
New Warehouse ...	74	11	—
House Moveables ...	8	9	[...]
Horse Furniture ...	14	—	—
Repairs of Fortificatn. ...	142	—	—
Charges Diet ...	454	6	[...]
Diet and Stores laid in ...	492	—	[...]
Garden Bridge ...	323	6	[10]
Pags.	4295	12	[..]

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Ballance due from him Pags. 227. 27. 4

Ballance due from him Pags. 227. 27. 4.

the Extraordinary Expence examin'd into.

Upon examining the Extraordry. Charges of last month We find them to arise from the following perticulars.

CHARGES EXTRAORDRY. for diet of Prisonrs. & Water to the Soldrs. at [Egmore] & ye. 5 Choultrys	15	16	65
DIEU ISLAND for ye. Gunners Mate	10	—	—
NEW WAREHOUSE	74	11	—
HOUSE MOVEABLES for 2 Tables & 4 Chairs for ye. use of Egmore	8	19	—
HORSE FURNITURE for a saddle & six bridles	14	—	—
GARDEN BRIDGE for Materials & Workmen	323	6	10
	445	6	75

Storekrs. Accot. for March read.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads his accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 568. 33. 40.

Fort St. David & Metchlepm. Accots. reported to be right.

The Accompt. reports that the Fort St. David Cash Accots. for March & Aprill and the Metchlepatam accots. are upon examinatn. found to be right.

[Paymr]. reports yt. Mr. [John]son refuses the allowance lately ordd. [him.]

The Paymaster reports that according to order of Consultn. of the 21st. Ulto. he had offer'd Mr. Johnston late Engineer ye. allowa. wch. was agreed to be made him and yt. he had refus'd the same for wch. the former order is Countermanded.

Mint Accot. for Mar [read].

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint Master reads yt. accot. for last month ballance due from him Rupees 70.3 and Pagodas 620. 14. 10. The formr. are delivd. to the Impt. Warehousekr. and the latter paid into Cash.

Warehousekr. reports yt. ye. Imbost [Tent] is begun to be [worm] eaten, It is [there]fore

The Warehousekr. reports That the Imbost Tent in the Warehouse is begun to be eaten by the Worm, he therefore desires ye. orders of the board concerng. it.

Order'd to be sold.

ORDER'D that it be sold at Publick outcry in small parcells to prevent an entire Loss wch. will inevitably happen if it continues longer in the Godown.

[1500] Pags. to be advanc'd [ye.] Warehousekeepr.

ORDER'D that Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekr. be advd. 1500 pags. to pay ye. Painters.

Chints to be provided accordg. to ye. List of [Investment] & Betelas [accordg. to muster] dd. in.

AGREED that the Chints be provided according to the Copanys orders in their List of Investmts. and Betteelaes according to the Muster delivd. in at Pags. 120 ℘ Corge.

Petition of Mr. Stephen Orme desiring justice on ye. Murtherers of Mr. Wankford & Mr. Dalzell belonging to ye. Lusitania.

Mr. Stephen Orme Supra Cargo of ship Lusitania presents a Petition to the board importing that the Cheif Mate of that ship namd Charles Wangford and the [Gunner] nam'd John Dalzeil have been inhumanely murder'd at Syrian in ye. Kingdom of Pegu by Coja Zachry. and his Accomplices and desires us to do him Justice on ye. Murderers not having been able to obtain it at Pegu from ye. hands of the King and Prince of that Country. Mr. Orme upon this occa[sion] delivers in a Journal of his transacts. since he left this Place the Last year as also sevll. Letters and Papers of attestations taken by himself and Mr. Lewis Tornery the other Supra Cargo of that Ship all wch. being read & duly considd. are order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

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Mr. Orme being then askd sevll. Questions concerning the Circumstances of the Murder whereof he had accus'd Zachary and wt. Evidence he had to Corroborate that accusation, He produc'd one Thomas Pritchard Steward of the Lusitania who delivd. in a deposition in Writing concerning the matter (as enterd hereafter) and after some Interrogatorys being put to him upon ye. occasion he was duly sworn before the board & then dismiss'd.

Mr. Orme produces Thomas Pritchard who delivers in a deposition concerning ye. Murder of the aforesd. Persons.

Mr. Orme then produc'd John Underwood lately come from Pegu who likewise delivers in a deposition (as enter'd hereafter) concerning the Murder aforemention'd, after some examinations was duly Sworn & dismiss'd.

also John Underwood who likewise delivers in a deposition in relation to the sd. Affair.

Mr. Orme then accus'd Capt. Herons Se[rang]nam'd [*lacuna*] of being concern'd in ye. Murder of sd. Charles Wangford and John Dalzeil who being sent for and examd. pleaded not Guilty, but was however order'd to Prison till more Witnesses could be produc'd wch. Mr. Orme propos'd Shortly to [produce].

The Serang of Capt. Herons Vessell being accus'd as accessary to the Murder was sent for, examin'd and pleadg. not Guilty was orderd to prison however till [more witnesses could be produced.]

Capt. George Heron who was Cheif for affairs of the English Nation at Pegu when ye. Murder was Committed being accus'd by Mr. Orme in his Diary of Obstructing the Course of Justice at yt. place by espousing rather the Cause of Zachary than of his own Countrymen and being also accus'd by ye. sd. Mr. Orme of havg. taken a Bribe from ye. sd. Zachry. for his assistance in getting clear wch. was ye. receiving a Brigantine from ye. sd. Zachary just after the Murder was Committed wch. Mr. Orme terms the Price of Blood and many other things of a very heinous nature being laid to the sd. Capt. Herons Charge he was immediately sent for and appearing before the board was ask'd what he had to say in his Own Vindicatn. but he peremtorily denying the sevll. perticulars of his Charge & offering some argument to prove his Innocence he was order'd to Commit what he had to say in his own Vindication to writing in order to be enter'd upon our Consultatn. that the whole matter might appear the more plain & Clear to our Honble. Masters, whereupon he was dismiss'd.

Capt. Heron being accusd by Mr. Orme of obstructg. the Course of Justice at Pegu, was sent for, but denying the sevll. particulars laid [to] his charge, was orderd to deliver [in] Writing what [he] had to say in [his] own Vindication.

There being a want of four Horses more for the use of the Honble. Company to releive any of the horses wch. may be sick or accidentally maim'd,

[The] honble. Company [wan]ting 4 Horses agreed that

Agreed that Messrs. Thomas Cooke and Nathaniel Turner do look out & provide serviceable Manilha or Pegu horses for ye. guards and rept. their Value to the board.

Messrs. Cooke and [Tur]ner do look [out] & provide the [same].

Fra: Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. & Fort S^{t}. David &c^{a}. Council.

The humble Petition of Stephen Orme in behalf of Alexander Orme & Francis Hugonin &c^{a}. Owners of Ship Lusitania.

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioners Cheif Mate & Gunner named Charles Wankford and John Dalzell being both subject[s] to King George were wickedly and inhumanly murder'd at Syrian in Pegu by the means and instigation of one nam'd Zechary as may appear by the Copys of the depositions of sundry Wittnesses examin'd & taken before the Prince of Syrian aforesaid and John Underwood who is at present in this place is in a manner a Wittness rais'd from the dead demanding Justice in the name of God and the Nation and to redress your Petitioner against all those who have been accessary in this Action for all damages that now are or hereafter may ensue thereon and your Petitioner

Shall ever pray.

An Account of our Voyage to Pegue and transactions there by Stephen Orme.

Left Fort S^{t}. George June the 19th. 1720 in the morning and made the Island of Andemans the 29th. from thence we steerd for the Pegu Coast and on July the 2^{d}. fell in about 20 Leagues to the Westward of Syrian River, on the 3^{d}. made the river in the evening, next morning got in but was obliged to slip our Cable and on the 6th. arrived at Syrian.

The first thing we did was going to the Rondu to give an acco^{t}. who we were, what Goods we brought, what burthen our Ship, how many Men and Guns we carry'd and that we had a present for the King; Then we waited on the Prince requesting his favour letting him know at the same time we had a particular present for himself, he seem'd pleas'd promising us his protection & having treated us with [a Beetle we] took our [leave] and went to Capt. Heron's where we lodg'd.

July the 7th. we took the fittest Dock for our purpose we could get and apply'd our selves to make it fit to receive our ship, it wanting Length, Breadth & Depth.

August the 12th. M^{r}. Tornery went to Prone for Plank and Timber and met with better fortune then he expected for the King being mightily pleas'd with his present sent orders to the Government at Prone to seize all plank and Timbers for the Great Ship, likewise he order'd 6000 baskets of rice to be deliverd us at the Curr^{t}. price which Acco^{ts}. we are to make up with an Armenian the King owes money to.

September the 6th. got the Ship into the Dock and by M^{r}. Blyth's advice pull'd to peices her upper works to the main whale taking out every thing we found bad. We likewise cut two streaks fore and aft below the main whale that we might be sure her futtock Timbers were good wch. prov'd so. Within her we cut the ceiling fore and aft where the Timbers joyn'd but found every one good except in the run of her abaft where was 19 bad which M^{r}. Blyth order'd to be cut out.

September the 26th. M^{r}. Tornery return'd from Prone & bro^{t}. some plank and on the 29th. went to Pegu.

October the 1st. arrived the greatest part of our top Timbers which I had sent severall People different ways to procure, it being what we most wanted and now stay for nothing but begin to make new.

October the 8th. our [Las]cars with those belonging to two other ships deserted and kept in a body with Colours flying arm'd with Bamboos &c^{a}. their Complaint was they wanted six Tecull ℔ month with Salt, Oyl &c^{t}. and unless they might have every thing they demanded they would dye before they would surrender.

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I immediately went to Cap[t]. Heron & told him the Story asking if his were gone too, he told me no, I ask'd him if he would go to the Prince, he answer'd no, upon which I left him and went my self (not empty handed), my reception was such that the Prince sent out his soldiers & brought every Lascar belonging to the three Ships to me, those belonging to us he deliver'd up to do as I thought fit with them, the rest he [let go] where they would.

One of our Lascars being cut in two or three places in [the] head I wrote a note to Cap[t]. Martin intreating he would assist him but rec[d]. an answer Cap[t]. Heron would not let him and from that time he gave orders to his People that none should dare come near us, if they did they should not come again into his house, his resentments did not [stop] here, but hurry'd him to the Prince where to our great diversion he prov'd himself a most obstinate, malicious, Senseless Fool by unsaying every thing he had said to him before, For at his arrivall he told the Government the Comp[a]. would send a great Ship to him and upon her arrival[l] promis'd them severall things expecting she would be [con]sign'd to him & so to have it in his power to make himself great at the Expence of others, But now we did belong to the Company and to make short the story every thing his fruitfull imagination with a long experience in mischeif could suggest was too good for us. The Prince himself sent for us and told us the above story adding [he] saw we minded our own affairs and troubled our selves with no body else, that we not only took care our selves to do nothing contrary to the Laws of the Country, but our People also. Therefore we might depend upon his friendship, he advis'd us to take care of Cap[t]. Heron for he [was] our Inveterate enemy.

The occasion of Cap[t]. Heron's anger we conjecture spru[ng] from the following Acco[ts]. we never having had any word with him, neither did we know he was angry.

At our arrivall he wanted to make Presents for us to [the] King, Prince & Governours but bringing those Presents with us disappointed him

He likewise had promis'd to the Prince that the King should have some of our Ships Guns which we told the Prince we had not power to part with.

Also we did not agree with him in his advice to pay the same Customs for the Sloop as for the Ship but thou[ght] it better to make her pass for the Ships Boat which he said we could not do but we did.

We likewise did not entertain his Cheif Mate as Overseer in repairing our Ship at twenty Pagodas ℔ month because we could not think his way and upon our Lascarrs [run]ning away althô he [deny'd going] to the Prince with, he was sure it could [not be made] up with them but [by] him as he said [to] severall Persons but when he found his mistake he was [still] more mistaken by imagining his honour could be touch'd and resenting it as above.

October the 28th. being the time of the Moors Feast, Hossen Jossen our Serang Tandell and Lascarrs complain'd they could not pass in the Street without being affronted by Cap[t]. Heron's Lascarrs and Seign[r]. Zecharys but they hop'd they might have Liberty to resent it w[ch]. we positively forbid ordering them not to mind any thing they said for if we knew they struck any body without they were beat first they should be made examples of, This Complaint gave us occasion to advise Cap[t]. Heron of it by a Note assuring him our Lascars had positive orders not to hurt any of his but we rec[d]. no other answer than what he said to our Servant that carry'd the Note THAT THE SHIP WAS GREAT BUT THE PEOPLE HAD LITTLE WIT. M[r]. Tornery (who was arriv'd from Pegu) went to Zechary and advis'd him the same; In the evening when they left off work as usuall our People went to the Feast some to celebrate it, others to look on.

About eleven a clock at night we were rais'd from our Cots with an Acco[t]. that Zechary and his People were killing our Cheif Mate and Gunner, upon which M[r]. Tornery, my self and one Englishman took arms & went towards the Place where we were told the bodys lay; some of our Lascarrs joyning us in the way. In our March we met a large Company of Zecharys and Cap[t]. Heron's People with colours flying and Lanthorns coming from the same place who fled as soon as they saw us, we went

on & found the report too true, we saw our cheif Mate and Gunner laying in their blood barbarously murder'd, being beat in severall Places of their bodys and beat all over with clubs, Our third Mate we met almost dead and return'd with him home. In the way we met a Lascar who said he belong'd to Zechary which we made a prisoner, also another who call'd himself Capt. Heron's Tandell and who severall of our People knew was one that first began to quarrell.

October the 29th. early in the morning we went to the Prince for justice who told us we should have justice and advis'd us to bury our dead, then get our Wittnesses ready against the next day and come to the rondu (or place of Justice) where the whole affair should be strictly exa[mined, for there] never was such a piece of barbarity acted before in Pegu, We took our leave, bury'd the dead & employ'd the rest of our time to find out such Persons who were Eye Wittnesses to the murder & not belonging to our sh[ip] having enow of them already.

October the 30th. the English in Generall went to the Ron[du] carrying the Wittnesses with us, severall was examined and some that were impeach'd to have been accessary to the murder were secured, then they deferr'd a further examination till the next Sitting; before we came to the rondu Mr. Torne[ry] and my self told Capt. Heron that this was a melancholly [&] unfit time to be angry with one another, therefore intreated him to lay aside all Animositys & unanimously joyn with us in prosecuting the murderers of our Country men, Th[at] if we had done any thing we would ask his Pardon or give any satisfaction if he would be pleas'd to let us know wh[at] it was that affronted him, but his answer was he knew enough. In the rondu while the Wittnesses were examining and every one of us attentive to what they said, he could not keep his temper but instead of prosecuting the Murtherers he fell a railing at us. We again told him we would satisfy him in every thing and wait upon him at his house, as soon as we had done begging he would think on ye. blood spilt & revenge that first then he might take what satisfaction he thought fit of us. We added that the Prince and Governours must entertain a very mean opinion of the English to see us quarrelling with each other at such a time, That the reputation of us all lay at stake & if we did not get justice twas high time for the English to quit Pegu to the Armenians, That all private quarrels ought to be laid aside to serve a publick cause, especially he had no excuse for not doing it when we were ready to wait upon him & ask pardon as soon as he would let us know in what we were faulty. But his answer was not to come to his house. Then as we were going out of the rondu bid us deliver up his Tande[ll], we told him we had proof of his being one of the first that began the fray & had very great reason to beleive him guilty of the murder as we were sure his Serang was and since he would beleive nothing against his People we could not deliver him but would to Justice, sometime after we were going to his house accompany'd with Capt. Blyth & Cornelious but were stopt by Capt. Martin who was order'd not to let us come in and we went home; a little after news was brought that he had seiz'd our Tandell & Nockeedesob & put them in the Stocks upon which all our people came in a body] desiring leave to go and release their Comrades crying out Capt. Heron took the Armenians part and Valued not ye. blood of the English. However we pacify'd them by saying the Govr. of Madrass would do us justice on Capt. Heron & that it was absolutely necessary for us to be quiet that the Government might do us justice on the Murtherers which we could not get if we took our own satisfaction, therefore desired them to mind their work that the Ship might be got out of the Dock then we need fear nothing and in the mean time we would keep a strict watch that we might not be surpriz'd & massacred as our poor Country men were, from which time we took it by turns & watch all night continually going the rounds of our Compound. When all was quiet we enquir'd after more Wittnesses and got severall, we also examin'd the two Prisoners we had and found he that call'd himself Zecharys Lascar belong'd to Capt. Heron & not having any positive proof that he was in the Fray we sent him with a Note to Capt. Heron advising the same, he would not read the note but order'd the Fellow to carry it back again.

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November the 1st. all the English went to the Rondu except Capt. Heron and his Family, severall Wittnesses were examined & the rest were deferr'd to the next day & most of those impeach'd as accessary to the Murder were seized.

Novembr. the 2d. we again went to the Rondu where met Capt. Heron, severall Wittnesses were examin'd who impeach'd Capt Heron's Serang and some others upon which Capt. Heron flew in a passion, got up & went home threatning us after a most unmanly way, but was laught at by the Government, The Murderers were secured and a further examination put off till the next day.

November the 3d. we went to the rondu but Capt. Heron did not come. The Governrs. told us twas needless to examine any more of our Wittnesses but they draw a Confession from those impeach'd by Torture, accordingly an Armenian was first brot. out and tortur'd with some more, upon what was drawn from them ten of Zecharys boatmen were seiz'd being all armed & with him at the murder. Then they said twas needless to examine further, so got up and went to the Prince deferring sentence till the next day, yet told us twas evident Zechary was guilty as well as the rest Accused and that we should have justice the next day. We return'd home and in ye. evening the Linguists came to us from the Prince & Governours assureing us we should have justice for they had resolved to secure Zechary the next sitting, advising us to insist upon it with earnestness. This Message we did not like nor their dilatory way of proceedings, we foresaw twas to make Zechary open his [purse] and We knew Capt. Heron had private conferences with Aga Noore which gave us the greatest Suspicion we should not get justice, however we were resolved to do what we could.

November the 4th. Early in the morning we waited on the Prince but Capt. Heron being there we took a little walk till he was gone, then return'd, we told him that since the Governrs. in the Rondu had examin'd as many Wittnesses as they thought necessary & confess'd twas evident Zechary and his Followers were guilty of the murder and that it was to no purpose to examine any further, we could not help wondering why he was not secured, that we came to beg his Security first, then that he would do us justice on all that had a hand in the murder, he told us to go to the Rondu and there we should have justice advising all the English to go together, he told us Capt. Heron had been with him and promisd to go with us, twas best for all the English to meet & consult before we went to the Rondu. We told him we had no more to say then to demand justice, therefore it was needless to cousult but we would go altogether as he advis'd, so took our leave, This discourse increas'd our suspicions especially one Question he ask'd if in England murder could not be made up with money, we answ[er'd] him No, the Law of God & England commanded blood for blood. We went directly to Capt. Heron whom we expected would treat us roughly and as we came in at one door Aga Noore went out of the other slily, but we were disappointed being recd. smiling, he told us he had been with the Prince & that the Prince said he would deliver Zechary to be carry'd to Madrass but he answer'd he wanted justice here for that the Armenians were very strong in Madrass and we could do nothing there, he also told us the Prince said he could not put Zechary in Prison without the Kings order and advis'd us not to insist upon securing Zechary, we answer'd if Zechary was not secur'd we had no reason to expect justice but to beleive the whole Government brib'd and that the Accot. of the murder would not be fairly represented to the King. Therefore we must insist upon it in Publick, he seem'd to acquiesce & went altogether to the Rondu but there he only demanded a fair Accot. might be sent to the King of what had passed and that he might also write, but no sooner did we hear what he said but we desir'd to be heard and every Englishman except Capt. Heron and those belonging to him demanded justice on the Murtherers and if the Government had not power to do justice without the Kings order that they would immediately seize Zechary and the rest that were not yet secured that had a hand in the murder. That if this was not granted twas evident we could not have justice. This made Governours at a stand, they ask'd Capt. Heron if he joyn'd with us in the same demand which forc'd him to answer Yes. They immediately

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got up and went to the Prince desiring us to stay in the rondu for an answer, a little after Capt. Heron was sent for and return'd soon with this answer that the Governmt. could not secure him but would be bound for his appearance and that whatever the Kings order was should be executed, we parted and taking the Linguists with us went to the Prince and told him that since Zechary was not secured we must expect the same treatment our poor Countrymen recd. from his hands and Followers without any colour of an Affront given them, however since we had so fair a warning we would be ready and not be butcher'd as they were, he excused his not securing Zechary for want of power, we said if he had not power to secure him he was greater than the Prince and before any orders could come from the King might do any mischief he pleas'd, for our part we had done all we could, he himself was convinc'd who the Murtherers were and knew who was and who was not secur'd and on him alone laid the whole affair and should any fatal consequences ensue t'wou'd be owing to Zechary's Liberty, he sent for Zechary and told him that if any harm happen'd to our People and the Authors not found it should be imputed to him. This is all we got, so took our Leave, the Linguists coming away with us we ask'd them the meaning of this change, we enquir'd what Capt. Heron had said to the Prince in the morning they told us Capt. Heron wou'd not take them with him But carry'd a strange Linguist so they could not tell but by what the Prince told him when he was sent for from the Rondu they had been consulting in Zecharys favour, for the Prince ask'd him why he went from what he said in the morning and he answer'd he could not hinder us from speaking but ye. Prince being netled said he was like a drop of water which [a man] might pour as he would. They told us they were confounded at the alteration since last night and nothing cou'd occasion it but bribery, they knew Aga Nooree had bẽn with Capt. Heron often during the tryall, they also knew the Prince and Government had been offered money which they refused but Capt. Heron's being there so early with a strange Linguist and so great an alteration in the whole Government immediately upon it, convinc'd them it was so.

Reflecting on all that had pass'd Mr. Tornery & myself concluded it best to wait on Capt. Heron in hopes to see a little further in this last affair so seem'd satisfy'd as if [we beleiv'd the King would certainly do justice] He told us he would write about it and we should see his Letter how earnest he would be with the King that we might be convinced how much he wanted Murtherers to be punished and assured us he had not been Idle but solicited ye. Prince and Government when we did not know it, we answer'd [we] beleiv'd so and after a little while we went home, the next day he sent his Letter to us to read in Portugueeze after which it was translated into the Language of the Country and deliver'd to the Government to be sent to the King with the accot. of all that had pass'd in the Rondu, [All] this seem'd to us deceit, however we thought the freer [we] were with Capt. Heron we should know the more, therefore sent him his Tandell and in a note told him we hoped he would secure him that he might be brought to justice at Madrass but the next evening about seven a clock we repented that we had let him go for he came to our Compound arm'd with a knife, our Tandell seeing him [bid] him be gone asking what he wanted and the Fellow bei[ng] afraid of being seiz'd went away swearing he'd kill our Serang, we immediately advis'd Capt. Heron by a note that his Tandell had been in our Compound arm'd with a knife, Twas unaccountable after so much blood spilt that there was still danger of more, his Serang already was prov'd guilty which ought to be a sufficient reason to have [an] eye over the rest, he'd always been advis'd as was now, therefore if after this any of his People were seen in [our] Compound after Sunset they wou'd run a hazard of being shot. The answer to this was that he was at home and had not been in our Compound.

November the 14th. Zechary was at Capt. Heron's house and on the 16 Capt. Heron got his Serangs Liberty which is undeniable Proof how earnest he was in prosecuting the Murtherers.

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At this time we got advice that a Vessell Capt. Blyth [was] building for Zechary which Capt. Heron had often wanted to buy but the other would not sell was now deliver'd to Capt. Heron which convinced us he had not been Idle but solicited the Prince & Government when we did not know it. At this time Zechary following the example of Capt. Heron got his two Serangs & Nockedesobs Liberty pleading Capt. Heron had got his.

November the 23^{d}. we waited on the Prince desiring he would grant us the Liberty to take a copy of all that y^{e}. Wittnesses affirm'd in the Rondu, he answer'd we might & told us he was advis'd that Cojee Simon, Aga Nuree & Zechary had been consulting with Capt. Heron [in his] house & ask'd us if we knew it.

THE DECLARATIONS OF SEVERAL WITTNESSES IN THE RONDA OF SYRIAN CONCERNING THE MURDER OF M^{R}. CHARLES WANKFORD CHEIF MATE & JOHN DALZELL GUNNER OF THE LUSITANIA.

FAGELL a Lascar belonging to the Lusitania declares he saw Zechary come on horse back and beat every body he could reach, he saw the Chief Mate go to him and take hold of the Bridle telling him our people was in no fault but Zechary call'd him names and bid his people beat him.

JOSEPH a Lascar Ditto declares he saw the Gunner bro^{t}. to Zechary and he heard Zechary cry to his People kill him, kill him, at which time he fell and he run away.

ISMAEL a Lascar Ditto declares as he was standing by a Moormans house he saw the Gunner strive to run away two or three times but was taken again by Capt. Heron's Serang whom he knew & some Lascars he did not know, he saw them beat him, but one of Zechary's Lascars named Fagell came to him & struck him which made him run, he also declares when Zechary came first he saw the serang of the Lusitania tell Zechary there was no harm done & every body was quiet, but some of Zecharys People cry'd out their People had been beat upon which Zechary gave orders to kill & that Zecharys Son was by him.

JOHNSEE a Lascar Ditto declares he saw the Gunner run away and Zecharys two Serangs and Capt. Heron's Serang with some more pursued him and brought him back where he was kill'd, as soon as they had done, seeing him cry'd out he belong'd to the great Ship and fell upon him, he run but they took him and beat him saying they would carry him to Seign^{r}. Zechary but finding fall left him for dead.

CLARA AND TOON two country women declare they went to see the Moors Feast & saw Zechary come on horse back crying out beat them, beat them, kill them, kill them. They saw the Gunner run twice but was bro^{t}. back again to Zechary who cry'd out kill him, and that Zechary took a light and look'd at him to see if he was dead or no & that they saw Zechary's Son at a little distance from the Gunner with a sword and stick in his hand.

JANCHE a Christian belonging to the Moor Ship declares [*a line lost*] Lascars and that Zecharys Nockedesob and Aviat an Armenian kill'd him.

MANUEL a Lascar belonging to Trivangarum declares that he went to see the Moors Feast when happening to be some disturbances between Zecharys Lascars and those of the great Ship but t'was soon over, he saw Zechary come a horseback and the Cheif Mate of the great Ship go to him and speak to him laying his hand on the Bridle, he heard Zechary order his People to beat and kill, at the same time Zechary struck the Mate with a Launce and the rest of his people murder'd him, he also saw the Gunner endeavouring to make his escape and he heard Zechary order his People to follow him who after they had bro^{t}. him back murther'd him.

AVIAT an Armenian Servant to Zechary confess'd Zechary went out on horse back with his Lascars arm'd and three Barmas nam'd Umza, Chunden, and Umrat, he had also his Cook with him who he saw kill'd the Cheif Mate wth. a short sword but he says he did not hear Zechary order him to do it.

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M^r^. UNDERWOOD third Mate of the Lusitania Declares That he with four or five more went to the Moors Feast, following the Lusitania's Lascarrs at some distance who were dancing as they went along, as soon as they enter'd y^e^. Moors Street Capt. Heron's Serang, Tandell and some others issued out of a house upon them stoping the way, however they kept still dancing till one of Capt. Heron's Serangs Company took a long Bamboo lighted at both ends and push'd it in the others Faces, then began some blows but twas soon over and they fell a dancing again till they came to a large Fire whe[re] was severall others they joyn'd and danc'd altogether round the fire and nothing like quarrelling, when on a sudden they were interrupted by a shower of stones & immediately appeard Zechary at the head of great many People on horseback whipping every one he could reach & crying out beat them, kill them. M^r^. Wankford went to him and held by the bridle of the horse telling him there was no harm done nor any thing like quarrelling, begging him to be quiet, but he repeated his orders to beat and kill riding thrô the people three times laying about him with a good Will, he saw him and horse fall down and went towards him to assist him but Zechary laid hold of him by y^e^. breast ordering his People to beat him and an Armenian close by Zechary gave him the first blow, then all the rest follow'd till they thought him dead, so returnd to Zechary who was got a little from him. [M^r^.] Wankford the moment Came to him asking who is this, Underwood ? & he answer'd he was almost dead. But some of Zecharys People seeing him rush'd on him, Zechary crying out to them beat him, kill him, which they did. A very little while after two men who he did not know movd him close by M^r^. Wankford whose blood sav'd him for Zechary's Son with a sword in his hand & severall others came back again to see if they were dead and finding them very bloody thought them so and went away cursing them.

M^r^. FRY Second Mate of the Lusitania declares he went to see the Moors Feast with the rest, that he saw Capt. Heron's Serang, Tandell &c^t^. issue out of a house [up]on the Lusitania's Lascars & when they run a lighted Bamboo in the faces of some of the Lusitania's People there pass'd a few blows but twas immediately over & they march'd on dancing to the Fire, likewise round it, he saw Zechary come on horse back with a great number of People following him beating all in his way & crying out to his People (what he said he did not understand) upon which all his followers fell on the Lusitania's People especially the White Men who had nothing in their hands to defend themselves & he receiving some blows fled.

THOMAS MOOR Boatswain of the Lusitania declares the same with M^r^. Fry.

THOMAS PRITCHARD Steward of the Lusitania declares he was close by M^r^. Wankford when Zechary came on horse back with a great many followers throwing Stones among the Lusitania's People and others that were dancing round the fire, he saw M^r^. Wankford go to him & tell him our People were in no fault, the others began, but that now all was over and every one quiet desiring him to be easy but he whip'd his horse & rode among the Lusitania's People up and down beating them, he saw his horse and him fall, M^r^. Underwood knock'd down, also M^r^. Wankford attack'd & himself, Zechary crying out to his people (but what he said he did not understand) seeing himself beset he snatch'd a Bamboo out of a Fellow's hand next him and defended himself till the Bamboo broke, then fled and outrunning the the rest got clear.

There is many more Wittnesses ready to declare the same [with] the above examination and to [swear to the truth] on't but what's already related is sufficient.

M^r^. Troughton was at Pegu during the whole affair.

THE DECLARATION OF THOMAS PRITCHARD.

I Thomas Pritchard declare that on the 28th. day of Octr. last I went to see the Moors Feast with five more Europeans, coming into the Moors Street I saw the Lusitania's People [all] dancing round a Fire after the manner of the Feast, then they went towards Church, as they were agoing there came out of two houses Capt. Heron's Serang and Tandell & Lascars with Lanthorns upon Sticks and met the

Lusitania's people and would not let them pass along the Street, there was one Fellow with a long Pole with a lighted torch at the end of it pushing into the Lusitania's People Faces till at last they fell to blows but it was soon over, afterwards [they] went to another Fire and danced, by and by comes Zechary on horse back with a great many followers throwing of stones which made all the People that were dancing run away. Mr. Wankford & I were standing together under ye. Eves of the house, step'd up to Zechary and Mr. Wankford told him and desired him to be easy for our People were not in the fault for Capt. Heron's and his people were in the Fault but now all was over and no harm done, but Zechary not minding what he said throwing his hands about and whipping all before him calling out to his Followers but what he said I could not rightly understand but to the best of my remembrance it was Mar Mata, Mar Mata, as he was riding to and again I saw him and his horse [fall] but he got up presently and run upon his Feet beating and crying out to his People, presently I saw John Underwood down and Mr. Wankford close by him holding both his hands up over his head to save the Blows & striving to get away. I seeing my self in danger rench'd a bamboo out of a fellow's hand and defended my self till it broke, then I fled and out running them got clear, the truth hereof I am ready to swear, Fort St. George Aprill 20th. 1721.

Jurat coram me

Ditto Die THOMAS PRICHARD.

FRANCIS HASTINGS.

Governr.

FORT ST. GEORGE

AND

CITY OF MADRASS.

THE CERTIFICATE AND DECLARATION OF JOHN UNDERWOOD.

I JOHN UNDERWOOD do hereby declare that on the 28th. day of Octr. last there were five Europeans &. my self went to see the Moors Feast at Syrian in Pegue and when we came into the Moors Street we saw no body coming near us only (as usuall at their Feast) the People were dancing round a Fire, as we were going to their Church Capt. Heron's & Zecharys Lascarrs came privately into the Road way & stopd our Lascars from going to the Church and one of Zecharys or Capt. Heron's Lascarrs having a large Bamboo with a Torch at each end swung it up and down so that the Fire fell amongst ye. Lascars whereupon they fell to blows and the Lascars of the Lusitania beat them and went to the Church & when they went there they danced and sung as usuall at such time and the whole disturbance seem'd to be at an end, but presently after Zechary came on horse back and whipp'd ye. People as they pass'd and turn'd back again and did the same, the third time riding thrô again he and his horse fell down and I went to assist him but he took me by the Collar and at the same time an Armenian broke my head. I ask'd Zechary what he design'd to do with me, he made me no answer but said to his Lascars (in their Language) LA MAR BANCHUT and they knock'd me down twice and after that the third time, they knock'd me down again & kept me down till they thought I was dead, whilst they beat me I begg'd & desired them to leave off both in ye. Moors & Portugueeze Languages but it was in vain for they abused me so long that they thought I was dead & when they thought I was dead one Man call'd out Basta Basta Churda and then they began to leave me but as they pass'd they struck me, at last there was no more than two left who stood by me, at which time Mr. Wankford happening to pass by me and ask'd whose that, Underwood ? I told him there was all that was left of me for I was almost dead. The two fellows that stood by me cry'd out & calld DUSERER MOLLOM HY ; DUSERER MOLLOM HY ; then they collected themselves together & fell beating of Mr. Wankford, he all the time crying out MUTT MARR, MUTT MARR. But they did not regard his entreatys but continued beating him,

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at that time Zechary cry'd out Mar Morter, Mar Morter and Mr. Wankford was kill'd in half a minutes time, so soon as they had dispatch'd him (the Gunner and Mr. Orme's Steward running along) they left Mr. Wankford and follow'd Mr. Ormes Gunner and Steward crying out La Mar Banchute. At that time there was a man came to me and bid me get up, but I told I could not, neither was I able, so he and another carry'd me to the same Place where Mr. Wankford lay which was four or five yds. from me & then they left me. I saw the Gunner the second time come running being pursued by the Lascars, in the mean while I rolld my self in Mr. Wankford's blood to make my cloaths bloody but the Lascars came and felt of my Cloaths to see if I was bloody and went into the moon light and look'd at their fingers so that they pass'd me calling me names, at last Zecharys Son with six or seven Lascarrs came to me holding the point of his crease or dagger close to me & look'd me in the Face and calling me many names he left me, after he was gone a Portugueeze & one of the Country People & carry'd me to Mr. Orme's house And I do hereby declare what I have here writ is true and to the truth of which I am ready to swear, Wittness my hand this twenty second day of Decr. anno Domini 1720.

Jurat Coram me

20th. Aprill 1721. John Underwood.

Francis Hastings.
Governr.

20 Brigant Phœnix Christian Williboorts sail'd to Bengall.

21 Ship Dorea Doulet Mahomud Cashim saild to Manegapatam.

22 Ship Sta. Cruce Cojee Nathermaul Noquedah sail'd to Ganjam.

23 Brig. Nos Senhor De Conception Capt. Sardin arrd. from Goa.

At a Consultation
Prest.

Monday 24th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.
Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke. Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.
Mr. Benyon *indispos'd*.

Warehousekrs. Accot. for March read.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekr. reads that accot. for last month Balla. due from him Pags. 21,813. 30. 8. (Ca.)

Import Warehousekrs. Accot. for March read.

Thomas Cooke Impt. Warehousekr. reads that accot. for last month Balla. due from him pags. 8770. 24. 2.

Journall Parcells for February read.

The Accompt. reads the Journall Parcells for the Month of February.

Sea Cutomrs. accot. for March read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customr. reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

Custom on goods Exptед. & Imported	1879	35	—
Do. on Grain	253	28	40
Anchorage	59	18	—
	2193	9	40

Ballance due from him (Pa. fa. ca.) 8751. 11. 38 of wch. he pays in 3000 Pagodas.

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Richard Benyon Land Customr. pays in the ballance of Last months accot. being Pags. 242. 6. 77.

Land Customr. pays in his last mos. ballance.

John Mackmath (Uncle to John Dalzeil one of those that were Lately murder'd at Pegu) delivers in a Petn. (as enter'd after this Consultatn.) setting forth that as a Relation to the decd. he thinks it a duty incumbt. on him to prosecute the Murtherers and to bring them to Condign Punishmt. The Affair of the Murther was thereupon reassum'd & Manoel D'Monte a Portuguese Lascar belongg. to one of the Pegu Ships appearing before the board declar'd upon Oath sevll. particulars relating thereto as enter'd in form of a Deposition after this Consultatn. perticularly that he saw Zachry. strike the Cheif Mate namd Charles Wangford wth. an Iron [Launce] made after ye. Pegu Fashon severally times till he drop'd down dead, & yt. he saw Dalzeil ye. Gunner endeavouring to make his Escape but was sent for back by Zachary and inhumanly treated till he also expir'd.

Petition of Mr Mackmath desiring justice on ye. murderers of his Nephew John Dalzell

Manoel De Monte delivers in a deposition concerning ye. murder of Charles Wankford & John Dalzell.

The Noquedah belongg. to the King of Pegu Ship now in ye. road and yn. rest of the Servants being sent for in were ask'd what they knew concerning the Murder that hapd. at Syrian, who reply'd yt. this accident hapd. before their arrival at Pegu but yt. When they came there they heard yt. Zachary was Convicted of the Murder and yt. the King had decreed his punishmt. as usual in such cases.

The Noquedah &ct. belonging to ye. King of Pegu's Ship being sent for & ask'd concerning ye. murder reply'd that ys. accident happend before their arrivall at Pegu.

The Principal Armenians and Agents for Zachary and the rest of those in Pegu belonging to this place were likewise call'd in & order'd to declare what accots. they had recd. from time to time relatg. to this Barbarous Murder said to be Committed by Zachary a Countrymn. of theirs, who reply'd that they had already Communicated all the letters they had receiv'd to the Presidt. that they had heard from severall People that Zachary was thought to be Guilty and that the King had order'd him to be Punish'd accordingly, but as to perticular Circumstances relating thereto they knew nothing thereof. They were then acqted. wth. the ℘ticulr. papers Mr. Orme had delivd. in wth. the Narrative of the Whole affair as transacted in the Ronda or place of Justice at Syrian and wth. the Substa. of the Sevll. depositions, They were then askd what they had to say in Zacharys favour who ansd. that for want [of] some Material Circumstances wch. perhaps Zachry. were he here might have to delivr. in they could say nothg. for him but desir'd us to do Justice in such a manner as they should think most proper.

The Armenians Agents for Zechary & the rest of those in Pegu being sent for, were order'd to [declare] what accots. they had recd. in relation to ye. Murder.

Upon Suming up the sevll. perticulars of this affair and considerg. the Authority of the Evidencys sworn before us as well as by the sevll. deposits. taken in the ronda at Pegu there appears to us very great reasons to think the sd. Coja Zachary accessary to the Murder whereof he stands accus'd, but as he's not personally prest. to ansr. for himself or to produce Wittnesses in his own favour, We do not think proper to proceed to give Judgemt. agst. him till he can be brought to appear before us, in order therefore to have him secur'd for yt. End, It is Agreed that the Presidt. do write to the King and Prince of Pegu to give them an accot. of our having Examin'd into this affair and to demand Zachry. to be sent hither by ye. first Ship to ansr. for himself that he may suffer ye. Punishmt. agreable to our Laws in such Cases if Guilty, or otherwise to be acquitted.

There being very [great] reason to think [Zech]ary acessary to ye. Murder of the [pers]ons aforecited, [but] he not being personally present [to] answer for himself Agreed yt. the Presidt. do write to [the] King & Prince [to] demand Zechary [to] be sent hither in [or]dr. to bring him to tryall.

Fra: Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
[*Lacuna*].
John Emmerson.

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. of Fort S^t^. Geo^r^. &c^t^. Council.

The humble Petition of John Mackmath.

Whereas Charles Wankford & John Dalzell were lately barbarously murder'd at Pegu & your Petitioner being Uncle to the said late John Dalzell and his only relation in this part of the World thinks it a duty naturally incumbent on and [what may] justly be expected by all the Deceased's Relations [in] Great Brittain from him to do all in his power to prosecute the Murderers of his Nephew.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays y^r^. Hon^r^. &c^t^. to take all the necessary and most effectuall methods to enquire into the said murder & bring the Actors in it to condign Punishment.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray.

I the underwritten [Mano]el De Monte Inhabitant & marry'd in this city of Madrass do hereby declare that I being in Syrian in the time that the Moors made y^e^. Feast, We the Lascarrs belonging to the Friggot call'd the Lusitania, Trevangadums Ship and some Moors Ships joyn'd at night and were going to the place where the Feast was kept & when we came to the street wherein lives y^e^. Moors [Calassis] We met the Lascarrs of Zechary & Capt. Heron, the streets being very narrow we could not pass by them in a body and the Pilot of the Frigot (who was in our Company) went and desired them friendly to go forward or grant us Liberty to pass them. Instead of hearing his Petition one of the Moors insulted him & gave him many blows, we seeing that we all arose against them and made them presently run away and so continued our March to the place where the Feast was kept, a little while after came Cojee Zechary on horse back with a Launce in his hand (made after the Country Fashion) and after him his Lascars & some of the Natives all arm'd with Sticks & Stones. The Pilot of the Frigot perceiving Zechary he went to him & took the reins of his bridle in his hand & beg'd of Zechary not to take notice of what had happen'd, Zechary gave him no answer & shaking his head he went round the Fire crying Logau Betty Chute, that is to say beat the incestuous dogs, and immediately the Quarrell began which grew so great that our people all run away except the Pilot and Gunner of the Frigot. Zechary spying them he order'd his people to beat them & he went himself to assist them & with the Launce that he carry'd in his hand he wounded the Pilot of which wound the Pilot fell on the ground. Zechary perceiving that & y^t^. the Gunner was yet safe & running away he orderd his [Lascars] to run [after] him and bring him back which they did & [beat] him in the presence of Zechary till the Gunner fell [down] wch. Zechary perceiving & it being near the Fire round wch. the Moors celebrated the ceremony of their Feast [he] orderd to bring a light & looking on and examining the two corps & finding they were dead he retir'd to his house, [to] the truth of wch. being acted in my presence, I standing all the while in a house near the place where all this was acted, I do hereby declare & certify & take my oath on the holy Evangelist in Madrass, this 8th. day of [May] 1721 N.S.

The Mark of × of Manoel de Monte.

We y^e^. underwritten do hereby declare y^t^. Manoel De Monte Inhabitant & marryd in y^s^. city of Madrass appeard before us by Ord^r^. of the Honble. Govr. & not knowing to write has set his Mark to the above deposition & it being sev^ll^. times read to him he has taken his oath on the holy Evangelist that all that is mention'd therein is truth & conformable to what pass'd in his presence. Given und^r^. our hands in Madrass this 8th. day of May 1721.

Fr. Renato de Engolesma
Capuchin & Missionary.

Fr. Thomas
Capuchin and Apostolick Missionary.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Prest.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.

RANDALL FOWKE. NATHANL. TURNER.

RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.

JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

THURSDAY 4TH.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. reads the Accot. of ye. Honble. Companys Cash ballance remaing. Pags. 112761 — 28. (Ca)

Cash Accot. for Aprill read.

The Accomptant reads the Journal parcells for the month of March.

Journall Parcells for Mar. read.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymr. be advd. three thousd. Pags. to defray Charges Garrison.

Paymr. to be advanc'd 3000 Pagodas.

Ram Dauz Town Broker pays into Cash pags. 400 for six months rent of that farm.

Pags. 400 pd. in by the Town Broker.

Generall Letter from the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated ye. 26th. ulto. to Inclose Invo. & bill of loadg. for 300 bales of Callicoes sent hither upon the Juan Labdine.

Fort St. David Genll. Letter datd. ye. 26th. Ulto. read.

ORDER'D that the Dieting stores sent out by the Hartford intended for the use of the West Coast be delivd. to the Ste[ward] to be Expended at the Generall table.

Dyeting stores sent out for the W: Coast, to be dd the Steward.

ORDER'D that ye. Warehousekr. affix notes at the usuall places to give notice of the disposal of the Tent in the Warehouse On Monday 8th. inst.

Warehousekr. to give publick notice of ye. disposall of the Tent at Outcry.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays into Cash pags. 333. 12 for last months rent of yt. Farm.

Arrack Farmer pays in 333 : 12.

AGREED that we write to the Depty. Governr. and Council of Fort St. David to dispose of their Arrack Farm at Publick Outcry provided they can get what it was last let out for and yt. they use all possible means to recover the old Arrack [Farm] Ballance.

The Arrack Farm of Fort St. David to be expos'd at publick Outcry.

There being a great want of Fanams in the place,

ORDER'D That the Warehousekeepr. deliver one Chest of Silver into the Mint for yt. purpose.

Warehousekr. to deliver one Chest of silver to be coin'd into fanams.

Capt. Heron according to order in last Consultation delivers in an ansr. to wt. Mr. Orme had alledg'd against him, whereupon Mr. Orme was call'd in and the same being [read] before him was ordd. to be enterd after this Consultatn.

Capt. Heron delivers in an answ to Mr. Orme's allegations agst. him.

Capt. Heron likewise delivers in a Copy of [a] Letter wch. he wrote to the King of Pegu upon ye. Subject of [the] Murder in order to demd. Justice wch. Circumstance he ur[ges] to refute Mr. Ormes Allegation that he obstructed the Way [of] Justice. Capt. Heron likewise delivers in a Copy of a Contract made wth. Coja Zachary for Brigantine Dilligence dated the 20th. Augst. 1720, wch. is two months time before the Murder Committed in order to disprove wt. Mr. Orme alledges of his having recd. the price of Blood. In Capt. Herons aforesd. Answer He alledges that Mr. Orme upon his Arrival at Syrian being elated wth. the thoughts of having the managemt.

Also a Copy of a Letter wrote to the King of Pegu & a Translate of the Contract betwixt him & Zechary in relation to the Vessell bot. of him.

of a great Ship and many people immediately set him up for a Great man and inst^{d}. of mak^{g}. applicat^{n}. to him who was the English Resident there by order from hence rejected his advice & Council & dispis'd his Authority wch. he publish'd in that part of the World by hoist^{g}. the English Flag in his Compound telling Capt. Heron that he did not know who could give him a power to preside in a Free Port where all would be treated alike. M^{r}. Orme being ask'd concern^{g}. his behaviour acknowledg'd some differences betwixt him & Capt. Heron but endeavour'd to extenuate the Fault on his side as much as possible, but the matter appearing too Suspitious he was repremanded for the same by the Presid^{t}. He then desir'd leave to deliv^{r}. in a Reply to Capt. Herons ans^{r}. wch. was Granted Accordingly.

Step^{n}. Newcome [deliv]ers in a remonstrance of y^{e}. [state] of Egmore &c^{t}. [villages].

Stephen Newcome delivers in a remonstrance of the State of the Villages of Egmore &c^{a}. & their produce setting forth that many of the Inhabit^{ts}. and other people who are not in the Companys service do claim a priviledge of so much paddy out of every Crop wch. he can't find upon enquiry to have been settled in Consultation but have for some time past been granted to the Renters wch. priviledges he repres^{ts}. to have considerably lessen'd the Income of said Farm and therefore desires the orders of the board concerning them.

[Messrs.] Emmerson [&] Draper to make [a] scrutiny therein.

A Debate aris^{g}. concern^{g}. the afores^{d}. priviledges, It is Order'd that Messrs. Emmerson and Draper make a Scrutiny therein & report the same to the board.

Fra: Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. and Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. &c^{t}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.

The Honble. President having order'd [the] Secretary to deliver me a Copy of severall papers presented to the Board by M^{r}. Stephen Orme I think it necessary by way of answer to give your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. a concise Ac[count] of the rise of those disturbances that afterwards [prov'd] so fatall to the Persons mention'd therein. I shall like[wise] endeavour to show that I acted in the prosecution [of] the Murderers with the strictest regard to the Hon[our] of the English Nation of which I was always este[emed] a Representative at the Kingdom of Pegu This I [hope] will be sufficient without troubling your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. [as] a reply to the many absurditys those Papers are [stuffed] with so notoriously false and of a peice with the [rest] of that Gentlemans Conduct.

M^{r}. Orme with the Lusitania arrived in Syrian the 4th. of July last upon which as usuall I went to the Prince and Government & acquainted [y^{m}.] that She was under the protection of the Honble. East India Company & begg'd as such they would show them their Accustom'd favour the first mark of which was (upon my intercession) their sending the King [Galley] to assist them when they had run ashore upon a [sand] and in severall other respects they were used with much civility & Friendship.

I had no sooner talk'd with M^{r}. Orme but I found a coldness joyn'd with a disrespective behaviour towards my self, twas what I did not expect, nor could I then imagine the Cause but soon found that he never intended to joyn with me in the

Common Interest, to take my advice in any thing, notwithstanding [I] had and told him I would still continue doing him all the good offices I could. But to be obliged did not agree with his haughty Temper; he answer'd he sh[ould] act as he thought fit, that he did not know who [could] give me a power to preside in a Free Port, where [all] would be treated alike & so in short he set up for [him]self and acted directly contrary to what all y^e^. English had done before him, the Government were soon troubled with his management for in Octr. he refused his Lascars their Wages, they all deserted him & [were] not bro^t^. in but by force of Arms and I dare affirm he would never have got them again had I not privately wrote in his favour to the Government, his going singly to the Prince about this affair and what he then said to him soon convinc'd the Prince I had deceiv'd him in pretending the ship under the Company's protection, he told me that he plainly saw they acted in a separate Interest and desired that I would give him a fair Acco^t^. twas now too late to trifle & I inform'd him that She belong'd to severall Gentlemen whose names I knew not, he seem'd displeas'd & I retir'd & twas with no little difficulty I afterwards pacify'd him, this was my reward for the services I intended M^r^. Orme & what he mentions with so much pleasure in his Paper to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. I cant forbear repeating his Words. Talking of me he says " His Resentments did not stop here " but hurry'd him on to the Prince where to our great diversion he prov'd himself a " most obstinate, malicious, senseless Fool by unsaying every thing he had said before " for at his Arrivall he told the Government the Company would send a great Ship " &c^a^."

Soon after this happen'd the Moors Feast, Hossen Jossen, a feast that is always celebrated with the fighting one another & thô at first tis only play twas never ended without quarrels in earnest for which reason so often as I have been there I never permitted an Englishman to go near them & very often hinderd the Lascars & positively forbid carrying English Colours and I must own they was always observant of my orders. Twas at this time M^r^. Orme sent 62 of his Men, Moors & Christians with 20 Men out of the Crown & Trevangadum into the Street where the Moors Mosquete stood. They went in procession with English Colours flying before them arm'd with sticks &c^t^. they were no sooner arriv'd at the Place where the ceremony is performed but they fell foul of seven of our Lascars & 30 odd belonging to Zechary who was at y^e^. Feast & observing y^e^. Quarrell he dismounted his horse and persuaded them to be Friends, they continued so a good while & all being Quiet Zechary went home, but they had not been long there before some of Zecharys Lascars came and told him that some of M^r^. Orme's people had begun again to fight und^r^. their English Colours & that they were likely to be overpower'd upon which Zechary came [out] with a Whip in his hand & finding words have no effect he lash'd them as he rode along, Twas then the unhappy fate of M^r^. Wankford and M^r^. Dalzell & 3 more English [men] to be there lookers on, M^r^. Wankford went up to Zechary and taking hold of the Bridle of his horse told him [they] had done quarrelling but as he was speaking the Word some of M^r^. Orme's Lascarrs knock'd Zechary off his hor[se]. This enrag'd him so much that tis said he gave M^r^. Wankford a Mortal wound in the body & cry'd out Kill him, Kill him, Kill him, at which the Gunner was murdered, the rest escap'd by flight or were carry'd off, [Twas] now that M^r^. Orme came to me and begg'd I would forgive past offences & he would make me any satisfaction [and] desired me to joyn in prosecuting the Murtherers which I promised him to do in the most strenuous manner & accordingly went often to the Ronda at y^e^. Examination of the Wittnesses & wrote a very pressing Letter to y^e^. [King] a copy of which I lay before your Hon^r^. &c^t^. this Letter was shown to M^r^. Orme & he knows I caused all the transactions in the Ronda to be transmitted the King but in his Narrative he terms all this deceit & would insinuate that I had been brib'd by Zechary by taking his Vessell when I had contracted for the same two months before this accident as will appear by the Translate of the Contract. The King on the rec^t^. of the aforementioned Papers sent down an ord^r^. for Zechary to be punished according to their Laws in cases of the like nature & he underwent the punishment decreed him so that it was not in my power to get farther Satisfaction.

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Having said what is necessary on this melancholy affair I must now beg your Honr. &ct. to do me justice [on] Mr. Orme who has insulted the Character I have maintained in India these 50 years of being an honest man & that in the most open manner before this Honble. Board, I think I need not say any thing to prove I deserve that Title & to be tax'd with Bribery in perhaps the last public action of my Life is not to be tamely bore with but I will depend upon the Honour of the Board to cause [me] ample satisfaction.

I am with the utmost Respect

Fort St. George — Honble. Sr. & Srs.

4th. of May 1721. — Your most Obedt. humble. Servant

George Heron.

High. Mighty & August King & Lord,

Capt. George Heron Cheif for Affairs of the Company at Syrian who has long been a Servant of your Majestys and recd. many great and generous favours at your hands prostrate at your Majestys Feet, beggs justice & satisfaction for the unjust Murther of two Europeans belonging to ye. Company, One of them the Cheif Mate and the other Gunner of one of our Ships which was Committed by Zechary in the Feast of Jamse which the Moors celebrate annually. Among many others were these two Englishmen, when the Moors as usuall began to quarrell but were again appeas'd after which Zechary went out arm'd on horse back with a great number of people armed as well of Lascars as Servants and beat every body that came in his way when meeting the abovemention'd English mate he desir'd him to let him alone & not do him any mischeif. But Zechary on horseback as said above gave him a Mortall blow & cry'd out to his people ordering them to kill all the English, at the same time calling us names & grossly abusing us, the two Men dy'd that night and in the Morning I with all the English went to the great Prince, the little Prince and other Governours to demand justice which they immediately granted & heard the Evidence about the death of those two Men with justice & Exactness & gave them to us to present to your Royall Majesty with this Letter : May it please your Royall Majesty to cast your Royall Compassionate eyes on those innocent Men slain by Zechary since tis just the Company should have the satisfaction of death for death in the same place in which Zechary with so much insolence and boldness committed the Fact, otherwise they will fearlessly kill whom they please of the Company's people. Capt. George Heron & the Capts. of the other ships & all the other people here belonging to the Company devoted to the service of your Majesty & prostrate at your benign feet, beg of your Royall Majesty that you will look on our just Complaints with your Royall & mercifull Eyes & give us quick justice in this affair as we are confident we shall receive from so great, high & powerfull a king true justice. We remain easy & will not relate the more trifling parts of this affair because the Prince who [is] so wise & kind to all strangers & particularly those belonging to the Company whom he particularly favours write to your Royall Majesty whose life God long preserve & augment your large & powerfull Kingdom.

Copy of a Contract between Capt. George Heron and Cojee Zechary, Armenian Merchant.

Whereas it is agreed between George Heron & Cojee Zechary Merchants that the said Cojee Zechary hath sold to the said George Heron a new Brigantine of about sixty five Tons or thereabouts which said Brigantine the said Cojee Zechary doth oblige himself to finish in all the Carpenters work that shall be wanting to compleat her as likewise to fit her with all standing & running rigging of Narr with

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two Cables and one Anchor upon consideration of which the said George Heron doth oblige himself to pay to the said Cojee Zechary the full & just Sum̃ of thirty one Viss of Pegu Silver Curr^t^. money of said Place. In Wittness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 20th. day of August 1720.

George Heron

Wittness

John Henderson.

a true Copy.

To the Honble. Fra^s^. Hastings Esqr.
President & Governour &c^t^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

The Villages of Egmore, [Persiawalk] [*one line lost*] of Grain which amounts to about sixty Garse, half to the Honble. Company and half to the Inhabitants, besides about twenty Garse which they claim as priviledges belonging to them (as under specify'd) but not having your Hon^r^. &c^ts^. orders to make up Acco^ts^. with them in this manner & not understanding how those priviledges first became their right I have secured the Paddy untill I have your Hon^r^. &c^ts^. orders about it.

There are also severall fruit Gardens now grown up to perfection and some are sowed with Grain, the people now in possession having no right only say they have had them many years without paying any thing for them but are now willing to pay something yearly to the Hoñble Company if your Hon^r^ &c^t^. will give them a grant for their enjoyment of the same.

Kisna the Beetle and Tobacco Farmers Lease for a small beetle Garden in Tonderwood rented at Pagodas thirty ℘ annum being expired desires your Hon^r^. &c^t^. to grant him a new one for ten years at the same rate, he also desires another Lease for the Salt Ponds belonging to Tonderwood with a small spot of Ground laying by them for which he is willing to pay twenty Pagodas ℘ annum for the term of ten years.

All the Tanks were out of repair this year having not been minded in the time of the drought especially the great Tank at Persiawalk which for want of repairs was not above half full which renders half that Ground useless to the Planters and is computed to be a yearly loss of Pagodas two hundred to the Honble. Company, it has lain a long time in this Condition & will be now about Pag^s^. 500. — charges to repair it, afterwards the Inhabitants will keep it up without any further Charge to the Honble. Company.

[*One line lost*] up under charge of the Talliars. I now desire your Hon^r^. &c^ts^. orders what to do with it having dispo[sed] of none but to the Inhabitants for seed & hope your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will think the produce very well when you consider the former part of this last year was fruitless for want of Rain, the Tanks in a bad condition, the Inhabitants had neither Servants, money nor Cattle & had not your Hon^r^. &c^t^. assisted them [with] money to hire people & buy cattle most of the Land had layd untill'd this year & notwithstanding they are much increas'd with Labourers and Cattle, Still they are not sufficient to plant all the Ground [as] it ought to be and should your Hon^r^. &c^t^. call in that money I fear it will be some hindrance to next years Crops which at present I hope will be very advantagious, we are now began cutting & hope monthly to gain a considerable Quantity of Grain.

Some Chittys and Weavers having a mind to come into the Hoñble Companys bounds to settle at Persiawalk desire your Hon^r^. &c^ts^. leave & protection from any

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insults or Obstructions they may meet with from the Shop Keepers of Madrass (also a Cowle to that purpose) they assure me of about twenty familys within a month and a great many more will joyn them in a little time and make a Cloth Market within the Bounds.

Having nothing further at present to [add]

I Remain

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STEPHEN NEWCOME.

A LIST OF WHAT GRAIN IS CLAIM'D BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS AS THEIR PRIVILEDGES VIZ^T.

WHOLE ALLOWANCES.	EGMORE.	PERSIA-WALK.	TONDER-WOOD.	MERCALL.	MEA^S.
The Peddanaigues ...	...	...	1163 3 —	...	...
Pagodas in all	230 — —	307 — —	216 — —	...	...
Inhabitants back y^e. Gard^ns.	184 — —	255 6 —	618 4 —	...	...
Talliars	505 5 —	382 3 —	102 5 —	...	...
Conicoplys	275 — —	547 — —	1031 5 —	...	...
Schools	15 5 —	...	18 — —	...	...
Sev^ll. Choultrys	39 3½ —	59 7 —	75 5 —		...
Pariar Fellows	42 1 —	...	...	...	...
Washermen	10 4½ —	...	...	...	...
Goldsmiths	6 2 —	...	...	...	...
Sev^ll. Braminys	73 2 —	119 — —	214 — —	...	...
Tank Fellows	20 5 —	53 6 —	36 1 —	...	...
Dancing Girls	68 1 —	96 7 —	45 2 —	...	...
Head Talliar Fellow ...	74 3 —	5 4 —	44 4 —	...	...
Town Cryer	...	20 — —	...	...	...
Carpenters	13 4½ —	31 ½ —	...	...	...
Tom Tom men	7 7 —	...	...	...	...
			Together.	7015	4
The follow^g. Allowances are out of every 100 Merc^ll. The Inhabitants claim 50 M. the sev^ll. Persons mentioned 12 ℔'c^t. and the rem^r. to y^e. Honble. Comp^a.					
Carpenters	42 4 —	58 — —	44 1 —	...	...
Measuring Man ...	56 1 —	41 2 —	204 3½ —	...	...
Barbers	25 — —	27 2 —	82 1 —	...	...
Pagodas together ...	86 6 —	18 6 —	157 4½ —	...	...
Washermen ...	26 1 —	36 — —	67 6½ —	...	...
Blacksmiths ...	11 2 —	..	41 2 —	...	...
Doctors	...	7 3½	...	...	...
Dancing Girls ...	...	...	100 — —	...	...
Flower Garden ...	...	.	69 6½ —	...	...
Goldsmith	...	...	49 3 —	...	...
Cryer	...	...	43 6 —	...	...
			...	1306	[5]
			Totall amo^t. Mercalls	8322	[1]

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AT A CONSULTATION

Pres^{t}.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{r}. & GOV^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

THURSDAY 11TH.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that acco^{t}. of Custom for last month Viz^{t}.

Land Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for Aprill read.

Custom on Goods	184	23	19
Ruby Brokerage	36	34	16
Registering Slaves		8	
Pag^{s}.	221	29	35

ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 202. 18. 35.

Generall Letter from three Commission Officers and the Gunner of Anjengo advising that the Cheif and Council wth. y^{e}. rest of the Comp^{as}. Serv^{ts}. of that Factory went to pay a Visit to the Queen of Attinga and to present her wth. the accustomary pres^{ts}. at the Expiration of every seven years, and that they were all treacherously murder'd except^{g}. 17 Topazzes who made their escape in a most miserable condition some of them having rec^{d}. Eleven, twelve and thirteen Wounds Each.

Anjengo Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. read, advising of the murder of the Cheif &c^{t}. of that Factory.

The said Letter further advises that Capt. Gill had spar'd them both men & provisions the latter of wch. they desir'd us to pay him for.

Capt. Gill having spar'd y^{m}. some Provisions, the Store-keep^{r}. is order'd to pay y^{e}. amo^{t}. & Bombay to be debted for it.

ORDER'D that the Storekeeper pays Capt. Gill for the s^{d}. Provisions & that Bombay Presidency be debted for the same.

Thomas Cooke Imp^{t}. Warehousek^{r}. reports that accord^{g}. to order he had put the tent up at Publick Outcry & had sold it for Pag^{s}. 1900.

Warehousek^{r}. reports hav^{g}. sold y^{e}. Tent [for] 1900 Pag^{s}.

Messrs. Cooke & Nathaniel Turner Paym^{r}. reports that he has provided four horses for the Companys Service wch. cost [*lacuna*].

Messrs. Cooke and Turner advise of hav^{g}. provided [4] horses.

There being severall stores want^{g}. and the Storekeep^{r}. acquaint^{g}. the board that the Honble. Company have none in the storehouse he is permitted to buy them.

Storek^{r}. acquaints y^{e}. Board of y^{e}. want [of] sev^{ll}. stores, [he] is permitted to buy y^{m}.

The Petition of Bangaro Aniar Naindu formerly Watchman at Fort S^{t}. David read (as enterd hereafter) desiring us to reïnstate him to his Former Post in wch. he promises to behave himself wth. the utmost dilligence and Faithfullness.

[*a few words lost*] Watchman's place at Fort S^{t}. David.

The Presid^{t}. thereupon acq^{ted}. the board that he has had lately many complaints of the carelessness of their Present Watchman & upon perus^{g}. The Fort S^{t}. David Consult^{a}. he finds that they had detected their head Watchman of Cudd^{r}. of theft & had Punish'd him accordingly, he further adds that when he was at Fort S^{t}. David he often threatn'd the s^{d}. watchman for not comply^{g} wth. his Cowle but all to no purpose And that the said Bangaro Arnear Naindu being a very substantial man and in possession of Acalu Naigues Woods just wth.out the Fort S^{t}. David bounds where he may be of very great service to the Honble. Company on many occasions and therefore thinks him the properer person for that Employ.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints [y^{e}] Board of hav^{g}. had many complaints of the carelessness of their present Watchman wherefore

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It is Agreed and order'd that The sd. Bungar Anear Naindoo be constituted head Watchman of Fort St. David & yt. a copy of their Cowle be sent for in ordr. to draw out one for him accordgly.

Agreed & order'd that the said Bangar Arnear Naindu be constituted head Watchman of the Honble. Compas. bounds of Fort St. David and yt. in our next Generall Letter we write to the Depty. Govr. & Council to send their Old Watchmans Cowle that a new one may be drawn out accordingly.

Warehousekr. reports that ye. Dyers refuse [*a few words lost*]

Mr. Cooke reports that the Dyers have absolutely refus'd to Dye the Cloth at the usual price by reason of the dearness and Scarcity of Indigo and other Ingredients. Whereupon they were call'd in and ask'd for what they would undertake it who ansd. they could not afford to do it for less than 12 pags. ℔ Corge. We then told them that that was an exorbitant price and unless they accepted to do it for ten pags. we would order it to be done at Cuddalore to wch. we demded. their ansr. who promis'd to delivr. it in by next Consultation.

Mr. Orme delivers in a reply to Capt. Heron's Paper, also [the]Copy of a Letter [wrote] to the King [of Pegu] by him [& Mr.] Tornery [Mr. Orme] likewise [delivers] in a petition desiring an attachment may [be laid] on Zecharys [Effects] wch. ye. Board [think] fit to reject.

Stephen Orme delivrs. in a reply to Capt. Herons answr. (as enter'd after this Consultatn.) likewise a letter wrote by him and Mr. Tornery to the King of Pegu. The said Stephen Orme also delivers in a Petition (as enterd hereafter) desiring leave to lay an Attachmt. on the Effects of Coja Zachary for dammage[s] wch. his Owners may have or shall receive by the Loss of the Officers of said ship wch. being consider'd &debated the board resolv'd to reject that Petition till due Proof be made of the real dammages Sustain'd by Zacharys means.

[12] substantiall [persons to] examine [into the] affair between Uppullopo Narran & Rangapa.

Order'd that twelve substantial persons do make an inquiry & examine into the affair between Uppoloopo Narran and Bungolo Rangapa and report the same to the board.

The last Will & Testament of Mr. William Harris produced & the Wittnesses thereto sworn.

Mr. William Harris late second of Council at Vizagapatm. dying there the 29th. Sepr. his last will and Testament was this day produc'd. The Wittnesses to the sd. Will being Thos. Pennyman, John Lauder & Abram̃ Wessel who being all call'd in & Sworn did upon their Oaths declare that they saw the Testator sign, seal, Publish & declare the same to be his last Will & that he was to all appearance of Sound Mind Memory.

Fra : Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

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TO THE HON^BLE^. FRA^s^. HASTINGS ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^. OF FORT S^T^. GEO^R^. &C^T^. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE^. S^R^. & S^RS^.

Capt. Heron in his answer to my Papers presented the Board in his first Paragraph promises a concise Acco^t^. of the rise of those disturbances that afterwards prov'd so fatall, also to make plainly appear his Zeal in prosecuting the Murtherers with the strictest regard to y^e^. Hon^r^. of the English Nation and then desires to be excus'd a reply to them by pretending in Generall they are stu[ff^d^.] with notorious Falsehoods and of a peice with the rest of my Conduct. This obliges me to make this reply that it may appear who is blameable, him or I.

As to what he alledges of my haughty Temper & disrespectfull behaviour I hope if he does not bring some better proof of it than his bare word those appellations do not belong to me, when I appeal to all y^e^. English that liv'd with him what my Carryage was from my arrivall on the 7th. July to the 5th. Octr. which was the time our Lascars deserted and I cannot comprehend why at that time he should be so disgusted when we never had so much as a warm dispute before & yet pretend I had affronted him all Along.

Capt. Heron affirms the reasons of our Lascarrs deserting was my denying them their Wages. I humbly request he may be obliged to prove it being of the greatest consequence to my credit & the present time most proper, there being sev^ll^. Persons here that were at Syrian & know the reason was they wanted their Wages to be augmented to six Tecull ℔ month with some other demands, as to their being deliver'd us by force of Arms is true and argues the Prince thought us in the right & proved how ready he was to serve us because such a case had happen'd once before & he would have nothing to say to it even thô Capt. Heron was there & the Event at that time was raising the Lascars Wages. It is true also that I went singly but t'was because Capt. Heron would not go with me, which obliged me to act separately Or submit to the Extravagant demands of the Lascars. And that the Prince took notice of it appears by his sending for M^r^. Tornery & me, advising us to be aware of Capt. Heron for he was our Inveterate enemy & had told him we did not belong to the Company. This proceedure of the Prince in advising and promising us his Friendship was the reverse to what Capt. Heron affirms that he could not pacify him without a great deal of difficulty.

As to his intended & secret Services I know them not, therefore have no other way of judging but by outward appearance, neither do I understand what he means by saying he could no longer trifle with the Prince unless he plainly let them know we were not under the Company's protection as the Prince more than once told us he did, if so I cannot help inferring his fifty years of honesty will stand him in little Stead for no man can imagine Capt. Heron so ignorant as not to know the Company protects all they are pleased to grant a pass to.

I am now come to what he calls a concise Acco^t^. of the rise of those disturbances &c^t^. in which he makes me the Cheif Cause, he affirms I sent out 62 Men, Moors and Christians, with 20 Men out of other Ships into the Street where the Moors Mosque stood. I humbly request your Hon^r^ &c^a^. Council will particularly take this into your Consideration and if Capt. Heron does not prove what he so positively affirms that I may be publickly righted.

He then goes on in giving a quite contrary Acco^t^. to that taken in Syrian by the Government from those Wittnesses that were present, also from the Wittnesses examin'd by your Hon^r^. & Council, he also by this Acco^t^. contradicts his own Letter to the King.

He then confesses I came to him & ask'd pardon desiring him to forgive past offences & offering any satisfaction intreating he would joyn in prosecuting the Murtherers. I cannot help observing this was the first time I had met him for since the affair of our Lascarrs he would not see me nor allow any of his people to come near

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our Compound so that I made use of the first opportunity to desire him to let me know why I had offended him & to offer any satisfaction which is a proof my haughty Temper was not Superlative but this Submission could not procure either forgiveness or a knowledge of my offence.

As to his going to the Ronda & being present at the examination of the Wittnesses my Diary presented to the Board gives a full Acco^t. by which your Hon^r. &c^t. will see in what manner he attended the Prosecution, it being too long to recite every particular I shall only mention one Instance, when his Serang was impeach'd he got up in a passion & went out of the Ronda abusing me with most reproachfull Language.

That he wrote a Letter to the King & sent it to us to read is true but that I know he caused all y^e. Transactions in the Ronda to be sent the King I cant allow, I have only his Word for it & the Consequence prove it otherwise wch. excuses me in thinking all Deceit.

As to his Complaint about the Brigantine he rec^d. from Zechary and his pretence of proving the Translation of a Contract dated two months before this accident sufficient to show he bought her then I conceive to be of no Validity. Contracts may be sign'd as the Partys please and with submission I think the Certificates M^r. Tornery, Capt. Blyth & my self are sufficient to prove Zechary would by no means part with that Vessell before the Murder.

Capt. Heron also affirms Zechary underwent the punishment decreed him by the King which all Persons that are come from Pegu know to be false.

I have now gone thrô Capt. Heron's answer, but he having omitted severall particulars Essential to this affair I think it necessary to insert them.

November the 4th. we sent Capt. Heron his Tandell desiring him in a Note to secure him that he might be brought to justice in Madrass but the next night he was seen in our Compound arm'd with a Knife & being challe[n]g'd he went away threatning to kill our Serang. We wrote to Capt. Heron advising him of it but his Answer was he was not there & since the Tandell is fled.

Novemb^r. y^e. 16th. Capt. Heron got his Serang's Liberty after he was prov'd guilty of the Murther which is an evident proof he did not consult the honour of the English nor prosecute the Murtherers and a day or two after Zechary following the Example of Capt. Heron got his two Serangs & Knockedesobs Liberty pleading Cap. Heron had got his.

The King of Avah's orders upon the News of the Murder arrived at Syrian Decr. y^e. 7th. & were as follows. That Zechary should lye in the Sun 3 days, be bored thrô his Cheeks & cut in the neck & back 7 times, also pay 100 Viss of Silver and that each of the other Concern'd should have 100 blows, Providing what was related was true & Capt. Heron being cheif for the Company's affairs must know the whole story, therefore he must be ask'd in y^e. publick Ronda if the relation of the Murther was true or no, if he said yes Zechary &c^a. must suffer as ℘ ord^r., Capt. Heron was asked and his answer was, he was asleep when the murder happen'd & knew nothing of the matter. I humbly conceive y^s. order of the King's is plain proof he did not receive Capt. Heron's letter nor an exact acco^t. of the examination in the Ronda, also Capt. Heron's answer in the Ronda downright contradicts his letter to the King, who undoubtedly will entertain an indifferent opinion of him who demands justice in a case he knows nothing of, as appears by his answer in publick when justice was to be inflicted. I am sorry and asham'd to find myself oblig'd to point out these contradictions so much to the dishonour of the nation, on which will forbear drawing inferences leaving them to your Hon^r. & Council.

I cannot help thinking the King's order is a plain answer to the letter M^r. Tornery and I wrote and sent overland by three different conveyances, a copy of which I now present the Board and the King's order the second time notwithstanding Capt. Heron's answer was to punish Zechary &c^a. wch. makes it still plainer.

But as the greatest proof of Capt. Heron's unfair dealing in this affair I humbly offer his contradicting himself before your Honr. and Council he confess'd he wrote to the King demanding justice and immediately after said he knew nothing of the matter, then pleaded for his Serang that he was not guilty and now in this his paper gives as he pretends a particular account of the whole affair. These contradictions I hope show that ungentlemanly appellations of Lyer Capt. Heron was pleas'd to bestow on me before the Board was wrong plac'd and his insisting on it in his pretended answer by saying my papers are stuffed with notorious falsehoods and then evading proofs I am afraid will give great reason to suspect not only his conduct but honesty.

If in the prosecution of this affair I have at any time express'd myself with too much warmth I hope your Honour &ca. will be pleased to excuse me I can only alleage in favour of myself that whenever I think on this affair, methinks I see the blood of my poor murder'd Countrymen gushing out of their many wounds crying for Vengeance as it seem'd to do that fatall night and next day.—A sight! which had Capt. Heron seen surely he could not have deny'd his peoples paying the last duty to these poor men by attending them to the grave, nor could he have admitted Zechary the author to pay him visits and he to return them.

I hope the Facts I have laid before your Honr. & Council are so evident that I shall not have occasion to be further troublesome and entirely relying on the Board

I am

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

Fort St. George — Your most Obedient

May the 7th. 1721. — most humble Servant

Stephen Orme.

To the King

Sir,

The barbarous murder of two of our Countrymen by Zechary and his followers compells us to beg justice of Your Majesty.

We have prosecuted the murderers in the Ronda and brought many witnesses against them, some of which have been examined but the rest not examin'd, the Government telling us there was proof enough to cause them to be put to death, yet when we demanded justice they delay'd granting it saying they could do nothing till they had advised Your Majesty and recd. your order what to do neither can the English prevail with the Government to grant them so reasonable a justice as to imprison Zechary till they know your Majesty's pleasure so that we are obliged to sit down bewailing the blood of our Countrymen and every moment in danger of meeting the same fate unless your Majestys justice prevent it, which we do not doubt providing the whole affair is facily laid before your Majesty.

We depend on your Majesty whom we think the Viceregent of that great God who governs the whole world on earth to do justice among men and we humbly implore it for this blood that is spilt.

We are.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President & Governour &c. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

I humbly presume to represent the designs and reasons of my petition to stop Zecharys money.

First to deprive him of the means to frustrate your Honr. and Council's designs of Justice in a Country where money has so great influence.

Secondly for security and to be a bridle to him that he may not act any further mischief against the ship Lusitania till she be clear of the river.

Thirdly it being agreeable to the Law of God as appears Exodus chap. 22, v. 5, 6. For it is no great difficulty to prove that the loss of our Passage depended on twenty days more time which time we should not have missed had not ou[r] Officers being murder'd & we left destitute of People to oversee the Workmen and to load the ship.

I am
HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Your most obedient
most humble servant
STEPHEN ORME.

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY THE 7TH. 1721.

11 Ship Jerusalem, Capt. Robert Washington, sail'd to Bengall.

„ Ship Jesue Maria Joseph, Capt. Augustin Basilion, sail'd to Porto Novo.

12 Sloop Ramah, Hendrick Johnson, arrd. from Fort St. David.

„ Ship Marigold, Capt. William Gill, sail'd to Bengall.

„ Ship Elizabeth, Capt. Thomas Fern, sail'd to Ditto.

16 Brigante. Fortune, Thomas Hawkes Mastr. sail'd to Ditto.

17 Brigante. Prosperous, Samuel Cooper Mastr. arrd. from Anjengo, on whom came the widows and children of the Gentlemen lately murder'd there.

AT A CONSULTATN.

Prest.

THURSDAY 18TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS PRESDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint Master reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 79. —. Ca. 30 wch. he pays in.

Thomas Cooke Warehousekeeper reports that he has at last wth. great difficulty brought the Dyers to accept of Dying the Cloth at 10 pags. ℔ Corge.

ORDER'D that Thomas Cooke Warehousekr. be paid 2000 Pags. to advance the Dyers on that accot.

Stephen Newcome represents to the board yt. many substantial weavers wth. their Familys are willing to come & reside within the Honble. Companys bounds provided the board will give them Cowles to prevent their being molested by the Chittys.

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Agreed that as those People are the usefullest people We can have amongst us, & as their sett[ling] here may in time be of great advant^{a}. to the Company [in] having most of their Cloth made wth. in their bounds We grant their request & order That they have all manner of encouragem^{t}. given them and that M^{r}. Newcome presents to the board a List of their names in order to the Cowles being drawn out accordingly.

The Chitty Shopkeepers of this place deliver in a petition representing that the Weavers and Pullemolle Merchants have acted Contrary to Custom and Agreem^{t}. in retailing their Cloth to their great detriment; and y^{t}. if those Weavers be permitted to come to make their Cloth within the Honble. Companys bounds and afterw^{ds}. retail it, it will be still a greater prejudice to them & their Familys as likewise a loss to the Honble. Company of a considerable amo^{t}. in their Choultry Customs.

The said Petition being duly debated & Consider'd M^{r}. Newcome was call'd in & acquainted wth. the Complaint of the Cloth Merchants relating to the Weavers and other people retailing their Cloth contrary to agreem^{t}. and wth. out paying the Choultry Custom, who reply'd that those Weavers who are willing to come & reside here have agreed to discharge the Custom as soon as y^{e}. Cloth is out of the Loom wch. is the same to the Company as if t'was brought to the Choultry. The Board then conceded to their request and rejected the Petition of the Cloth Merch^{ts}. as frivolous & malicious.

Collastre & Venketty Chitty &c^{a}. Farmers of Egmore Villages appear before the board and pay in the whole ballance of that acco^{t}. being Pag^{s}. 1785 :— :—. Upon wch. they desire the board will represent the hardship of their Case to the Honble. Company by first ship who rather than undergo the Scandal (as it is look'd upon amongst them) of taking an Oath they submit to pay the whole Sum when every body knows that by reason of the Famine and want of rain they did not receive half; We therefore Agree to lay this affair before our Honble. Masters by first opportunity in hopes that wh[en] they know the truth they will consider the hardships the poor people have undergone and order them a reasonable allowance for the damages they have sustain'd.

Lieutenant John Gough delivers in a Petition (as enter'd hereafter) desiring Liberty to lay down the Companys service, in order to take the most Effectual means for the recovery of his health wch. is Agreed to.

The President thereupon recommended Ensign David Willson as the most capable person to supply the vacancy made by Capt. Goughs Laying down. His Petition was then read (as enter'd after this Consultation) setting forth his having serv'd as Lieutenant on y^{e}. West Coast to the satisfaction of his Superiours there and promising to behave himself with all possible dilligence & care as that Post If the board thinks him worthy of it.

Agreed & Order'd that David Willson be constituted Lieutenant of the third Comp^{a}. of Soldiers in this Garrison and y^{t}. his Commission be got ready accordingly.

Fra : Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Thos. Wright.

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President & Governr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

The humble Petition of Lieutenant John Gough.

Sheweth

That your petitioner being frequently indisposed begs leave to lay down his Commission in the Honourable Company's Service for which he has always had the greatest regard in order to take some effectual means for the recovery of his health

And your petitioner
shall ever pray.

Fort St. George
May the 18th. 1721.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President and Governr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Petition of David Willson, Ensign

Humbly Sheweth

That whereas your petitioner having for several years served the Honble. English East India Company and for some few late years acted in the capacity of Ensign and Lieutenant having always endeavour'd to acquit his duty with all possible diligence and Fidelity by which means he has been so happy not only to acquire the approbation of all the Gentlemen by whom he has had the honour to be govern'd But likewise (upon his application to your Honr. and Council to be relieved) obtain the Liberty of coming to this place And whereas he is advis'd that Capt. John Gough purposes to lay down the Honble. Company's service, He the said Petitioner has with all humble submission presumed to make his address to and supplicate your Honrs. favour on this occasion to be advanc'd to this vacant post and your Petitioner shall ever pray.

May it please your Honr. &cas.
most obedt. Humble Servant
David Willson

Fort St. George
May the 17th. 1721.

19 Ship Jean Lavdine Mahomud Ismaul arrd. from Fort St. David.
20 Sloop Ramah, Hendrick Johnson, sail'd to ditto.
21 Brigantine Alexander, Capt. Jno. Browne, arrd. from Junk Ceylon.
24 Ship Severn, Capt. Henry Cave Commander, arriv'd from Surat.

At a Consultation

Prest.

Thursday 25th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presd. & Govr.
Richd. Horden. Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke. Nathll. Turner.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that acct. for Last month Vizt.

Custom on goods Imported & Exported	1332	14	50
Do. on Grain	235	33	24
To Anchorage	30	—	—
Pags.	1598	11	74

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Ballance due from him Pag[s]. 7318.—.32 of w[ch]. he pays in 2000 Pagodas.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads that acco[t]. for last month, Ball[ce]. due from him 1294. 5. 75.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in the ball[a]. of his Last months acco[t]. being Pag[s]. 202. 18. 35.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that acco[t]. for Last month Viz[t].

Charges Garrison	1933	11	35
Charges Generall	848	26	70
Charges Cattle	133	—	55
Garden Bridge	651	12	10
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortificat[s].	178	12	15
New Warehouse	34	14	30
Diet & stores laid in	493	18	37
Charges diet	455	32	30
Charges Extraord[ry].	16	21	—
Acco[t]. Cattle	360	—	—
Pag[s].	5115	5	42

ball[a]. due to him pa. 1887. 14. 38 w[ch]. is p[d]. him.

Upon examining the Extraord[ry]. Expences for last month We find them to arise from the following perticulars—

Garden Bridge	651	12	10
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Acco[t]. Cattle for 4 horses bought	360	—	—
Pag[s]	1021	12	10

The unfortunate Widows of the Gentlemen lately cutt off at Anjengo arriv[s]. from thence the 17th. [instant] destitute of all manner of necessarys, The Presid[t]. propos[s]. to the board to take some proper means for their maintenance their husbands having lost their lives in the Comp[as]. Service. Whereupon It was Agreed that as M[rs]. Burton has four Children she be allow'd 25 pag[s]. ℔ Mens. and as M[rs]. Burton* has two Child[n]. 20 pagodas ℔ Mensem. And as it is uncertain whether M[rs]. Gyfford will accept of any allowance of that nature The Paymaster is order'd to tender it & report her answer to the board.

Engineer Johnston dying this day in very low Circumstances The Paymaster reports that there is not enuff to bury him, he therefore desires the orders of the board concerning it.

Agreed y[t]. as he dy'd really very poor, and has left noth[g]. wherew[th]. to bury him, that the Paymaster be at the charge thereof wth. all possible Frugality.

Cap[t]. Powny requesting the same Quantity of Ground betwixt his house and the Town Wall as M[r]. Draper had granted him in Consult[a]. the 30th. March last, and for the same uses, It is Agreed that the same be sold at Pag[s]. 2½ ℔ Gentue foot as usual.

Fra: Hastings.
Rich[d]. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath[ll]. Turner.
Rich[d]. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho[s]. Wright.

* An error for M[rs]. Cowse who died at Madras two years later.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY MAY 30.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOV^R.	
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

M^r. Nath : Turner Paymaster reports that pursuant to order of last Consultation he has tendered M^rs. Gyfford the allowance the Board were willing to make her & that She is very desirous of Accepting thereof.

It is therefore AGREED to Allow her twenty five Pag^s. ℘ month for the time She continues here.

GENERALL LETTERS READ VIZ^T.

One from the Presid^t. & Council of Bombay dated the 15th. of April & another dated y^e. 2^d. Ins^t. the latter Inclosing a Pacquet directed to the Honble. Court of Directors, the former advising that tho their Fleet could not come up with y^e. Pirates so as to be able to Attack them, they have nevertheless drove them off y^e. Coast; One from the Cheif & Council of Callicut without date advising y^e. misfortune of their People at Anjango being cutt off. One from y^e. Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 8th. Ins^t. adviseing y^e. Exorbitant prizes which the French give for goods to y^e. Southerd and that y^e. Country round about them is in perfect peace & quietness.

Capt. William Warden Command^r. of the Honble. Companys Ship King George delivers in a representation concerning the manner of his Accession to that Station, as also Six Originall Papers to inforce the Same whereby it Appearing that y^e. said Capt. William Warden was appointed Commander of the said Ship by his Father Capt. Charles Warden a little before his death upon his dismissing M^r. Shewen the Cheif Mate from that Imploy On Acco^t. of his Ill behaviour & that upon his said Fathers decease he did regularly succeed to y^e. Command of the Ship, It is unanimusly AGREED to Confirm him therein.

ORDERD that Capt. Wardens representation with all the papers relating thereto be enterd after this Consultation.

Capt. Warden likewise desires our permission to discharge his Second Mate nam'd Joshua Bagshaw which is also AGREED to, for his incorrigible Sottishness.

Messrs. English & Tempest Supra Cargoes of Ship King George deliver in their Books of Acco^ts. relating to their Benjar Voyage wch. are deliverd y^e. Accomptant in ord^r. to be examind & reported.

M^r. Thos. Wright a Member of this Board desire^s. leave to go to Fort S^t. David about some business, It is granted, & M^r. Draper offers to Act as Sec^ry. till his return.

The Presid^t. acquaints the Board that a dispute having Arisen between himself and M^r. Benyon about his private trade, in Conjunction with him and M^r. Elwick he is desirous of putting a Speedy end to it & is therefore willing to Submitt it to y^e. dicission of this Board to be determind by us as by a Court of Equity.

The Case is as follows.

That finding in the whole course of his trade and business which he transacted Joyntly with Messrs. Benyon & Elwick, he has been perpetually vexed and disquieted with so much needless & frivolous opposition, Cavill & dispute, that he has form'd a resolution never to be concernd with them any more, if possible to be avoided, in that way; that in pursuance of Such his resolution he did upon the arrival

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of the Ships Sunderland, Windsor, and King George (who are lately returnd to this Port from Surat & in whom he is a tolerable share, for a Private man, concernd) declared to Mr. Benyon his disposition to have those Ships Sold at Publick Outcry for ye. Apparent benifitt of himself and all others Concern'd as well as in ordr. to disengage himself from being any further concernd with them therein, because it was very probable that they would yeild much more at Outcry where every man was freely admitted to bid then perchance They would be valued at were their outsetts to be managed this Year as they were the last.

The President adds That Mr. Benyon upon Such his diclaration to him, did Absolutely refuse to comply with his proposition aforesaid and instead of deeming it a method fair & just did surggest it was a premeditated design to exclude himself and his copartners from all further benifitt of Trade, whereas it must be evident to all mankind that the thing in it Self is directly contrary however it may be intended because Mr. Benyon himself or any other of his aforesaid coherents may & will undoubtedly have ye. liberty of purchaseing those Ships at Outcry & thereby of Securing to themselves a large proportion of the Trade.

The President proceeds to Say that all the Arguments of this kind which he could use to Mr. Benyon were of very little effect and that instead of conceding to his very reasonable proposition he trumpt up *Jure marittimo* upon him & talked of as much of ye. Laws of England as he knew *In Terrorem* against it. That nevertheless he was so well Satisfied within himself of the justness of ye. thing which he proposed & that notwithstanding it might be something different from ye. customs of Countrys forreign to this yet he was perfectly well Assured that his proposition was strictly Agreeable to ye. Customs of this place and as Law in Genll. was founded & Established upon Custome that such his proposition was strictly agreeable to the Laws of this place as well as of England and consequently that ye. execution thereof would be strictly leagall, however that he might not be thought to depend Solely upon his own Judgment in this case he desires the Opinion of the Board concerning it.

Accordingly the Majority after some expostulation with Mr. Benyon upon ye. Subject and with those that sided with him on ye. Occasion concluded that what ye. Presidt. had preferrd was expressly agreeable to their reall Sentiments & that he might Execute with safety what he had propos'd.

Messrs. Turner, Benyon & Emmerson thereupon dissented & Mr. Benyon promised to deliver in his reasons for so doing in Writing Agreeable to the Honble. Companys Orders the next Consultation.

Mr. Cooke then finding Mr. Turner Joyn wth. Mr. Benyon in maintaining the justness of a Govrs. transferring Ships from one Voyage to another with such a Valuation as he thought fitt, when he had heard the Presidt. before declare that Mr. Turner had often expres'd to him his utter dislike to Govr. Collets practices in ye. managemt. of his private Trade that way, could not forbear acquainting the Board in generall & Mr. Turner in Perticular that ye. ill conveniences arising from that evil practice were the Occasion of his & many others withdrawg. their Stocks from Trade for some time in which Opinion Most of ye. Council concuring they Severally so declar'd themselves & then Adjourn'd.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President & Governr. &ct. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

Being in possession of the command of the Honble. Company's Ship King George by the appointment of my Father Capt. Chas. Warden who dy'd three days after he had discharged his Cheif Mate Mr. Joseph Shewen & made that disposition on accot. of his ill behaviour towards him I think my self obliged to lay before your Honr. &ct. all the particulars of that affair & to intreat yr. confirmation in the Command of my said Ship King George.

I herewith deliver your Honr. &ct. Mr. Shewen's Letter to my Father wch. was the last motive that induced my Father to discharge him and appoint me in his stead wch. he thot. of absolute necessity to do although I was only third Mate at that time because the second Mate Mr. Bagshaw was so much addicted to drinking that he was incapable of any such post on that accot. & would have also been discharged by my Father had he lived a little longer, In the next place I beg leave to lay before your Honr. &ct. ye. Instrument whereby my Father just before his death convey'd to me the Command of the said Ship King George and your Honr. &ct. may please to observe that he did not do this without very mature deliberation but in concert with Capt. Williamson Commr. of the Bridgwatr. his Cheif Supra Cargoe & Mr. English Supra Cargo of our own Ship who have all sign'd as Wittnesses to that Act and Deed, your Honr. &ct. have likewise herewith all my Officers declarations under their hands and seals of their being well satisfy'd with my entrance upon the Ships command, soon after which I recd. two Letters frō. Mr Shewen who had been displac'd by my father desiring his reinstatement as Cheif Mate & thereupon I admitted him as such, my second Mate Mr. Bagshaw has behaved himself so ill that I do not think the Ship safe while he continues in it, & having recd. from him a request to discharge him since I arrived here I hope your Honr. &ct. will permit me to do it, his request together with the two Letters aforesaid I also herewith deliver to your Honr. &ca.

Having at length done with the affair of my Ship and Officers I come now to her Loading wch. consists of Tons 104. 9. 95 (Tons. cwt. lb.) of Pepper according to the Still-yards by which I weigh'd it, I have as yet sign'd no bills of Loading for the same and the reason of it is because the Supra Cargoes accot. differs from mine which was occasioned by their not sending any body down to the Ship to weigh it to me thô I sevll. times desired it of them & indeed they did not tender any bill of Loading to sign till the 28th. of the last month thô we left Benjar the 18th. Decr. 1720, and then I refus'd to sign on accot. of the difference aforemention'd and thus having laid before your Honr. &ct. every thing that I thought requisite at present I submit the whole to yr. determination with the greatest deference & Remain

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Fort St. George
May 30th. 1721.

Your most Obedt. Humble Servant,
Wm. Warden.

At Sea Latde. 9 No. March 26th. 1720.

Capt. Warden

Sr.

By Mr. Arbuthnot and Mr. Widrington I have been informed you have been so free as to tell your mind to (which is) that you design to serve one day water & the other day bee which in my opinion will be lighting a Candle at both ends (besides

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which the beer will be dead & not fit to drink) for at that rate a butt will last eleven days which in this hot weather will make unfit for drinking, also have had two or three Instances of Beers stinking before we got length of the South Tropick wch. if it should will not only prove a disappointment but a considerable disadvantage to the Owners for with good management we have water en^o^. to carry us quite through which shall be always my daily study thô I cant but say your giving your orders to the abovemention'd Persons will in some measure be a hindrance in the performance of my duty wch. may prove of ill consequence, when consider'd where we are bound which in order to prevent shall endeavour to keep every body at a due distance to prevent disorderly doeings wch. I am certain you must be sensible they are ripe for, So hope after a due Consideration of this that youll give me due advice of any thing you have a desire should be done & your orders shall be duely honour'd & any that does not come directly from you to me the contrary wch. is in my opinion the duty of

Your Assured Friend & very humble Servant,

JOSEPH SHEWEN.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY whom it may Concern that I Charles Warden the present Command[r]. of the Ship King George being in declining state of health & knowing the certainty of death do by these presents discharge M[r]. Joseph Shewen now my Cheif Mate from the s[d]. Ship King Geo[r]. it being for severall important reasons as particularly beleiving it neither for the Interest of our Hon[ble]. Masters nor the Owners of the said Ship King George that he the said Joseph Shewen should succeed me in the command of the s[d]. Ship, so I the said Charles Warden for my self and in the behalf of the rest of the Owners of the said Ship, do hereby nominate, authorize and appoint my well beloved Son William Warden now third Mate in the said Ship to take upon him the Command of Cheif Mate in said Ship in the stead of him the said Joseph Shewen and furthermore at the decease of me the said Charles Warden do nominate, authorize and appoint him the said William Warden to succeed me in the Command of said Ship for the confirmation of which I have hereunto set my hand and Seal on board the said Ship now at Sea this fifteenth day of Aprill 1720.

SIGN'D SEAL'D & DELIVER'D (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in the presence of us

CHARLES WARDEN. (*loco sig.*)

EDW[D]. WILLIAMSON.

JOHN SOMERS.

CHARLES ENGLISH.

WHEREAS Cap[t]. Charles Warden now Commander of the Ship King George being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind and memory and not knowing how it shall please God to deal with him in this transitory Life after first recommending his soul to the Almighty God, He the s[d]. Charles Warden for his self and in behalf of the rest of the Owners of said ship doth constitute, authorize and appoint his well beloved son William Warden now third Mate of the said Ship for this present intended Voyage to take upon him the Command of the s[d]. Ship immediately after the decease of him the s[d]. Charles Warden. Now the Officers of the said Ship to affirm and varify that the Charles Warden did con[ti]tute, authorize and appoint the s[d]. William Warden to take upon him the command of the ship for this present

intended Voyage immediately after the decease of him the s^d^. Charles Warden in [Wittness] whereof [we] severally and respectively set our hands and Seals on board the said Ship now at Sea this fourteenth day of Aprill 1720.

DAN^LL^. SMALL.	*loco sig*	JOSHUA BAGSHAW.	*loco sig*
THOMAS FERRY.	*loco sig*	ALEX^R^. ARBUTHNOT.	*loco sig*
JOHN EVERY.	*loco sig*	JN^O^. WIDDRINGTON.	*loco sig*

WHEREAS I Joseph Shewen late cheif Mate of the King George by a Consultation held on board the said Ship was discharg'd on the 15th. of y^s^. Ins^t^. from the said ship by Capt. Charles Warden for sev^ll^. very important reasons which he the s^d^. Capt. Charles Warden did declare in the presence of the Gentlemen then in Consultation as likewise in the presence of the Officers of said Ship,

Now I the said Joseph Shewen upon due Consideration & with the sincerity of a Friend do by these Presents tender my Service as Chief Mate to Capt. William Warden the present Comm^r^. of the said Ship King George & upon the appointment of me the s^d^. Joseph Shewen made as Cheif mate in the s^d^. Ship by the s^d^. Capt. William Warden do by these presents promise to behave my self with all due respect to him the s^d^. Capt. William Warden and have all due regard to the said ship King George both for the Interest of our Honble. Masters & Owners of the s^d^. Ship, In WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twentyeth day of Aprill one thous^d^. seven hundred & twenty.

SIGN'D SEAL'D & DELIVER'D

In the presene of us where no
stampt Paper was to be had.

CHARLES ENGLISH.
GEORGE TEMPEST.
ISAAC GARNIER.
JOSHUA BAGSHAW.
ALEX^R^. ARBUTHNOT.

JOSEPH SHEWEN *loco sig*

CAP^T^. WARDEN

S^R^.

Being discharg'd by your Father on the 15th. of Aprill 1720 from being his Cheif Mate, I therefore now tender my Service to you hoping youll accept of me as in truth, I am

Your Sincere Friend and Humble Servant,

APRILL Y^E^. 19TH. 1720.

JOSEPH SHEWEN.

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CAPT. WILLIAM WARDEN.

SR.

Having a great Inclination to stay in India desire you will give my discharge which will much Oblige

SR.

SHIP KING GEORGE Your humble Servant,

MAY THE 26TH. 1721. JOSHUA BAGSHAW.

Ship King George Capt. Timothy Tullie arrd. from Surat. 31

Ship Bon Voyage Capt. Thos. Mcverell sail'd to Pegu. —

Brigant. St. Maria Cojee Meertam sail'd to Ditto. —

Sloop Rama Hendrick Johnson arrd. from Ft. St. David. JUNE 2D.

Brigant. St. Maria Formosa Cornelius Anderson saild to Pegu. 3

Ship Mary Capt. Jarvis Clark arrived from Surat. 5

Ship Francis Capt. Keckwich arrd. from ye. Maldives. 6

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapm. dated the 2d. Ulto. —

Brig Prosperous Capt. Samll. Cooper sail'd to Bengall. —

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort St. David datd. the 3d. Inst. —

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Presidt. & Council of Fort William datd. 24th. Aprill. 7

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 8TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.

RANDALL FOWKE. NATHANIEL TURNER.

RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.

JOSHUA DRAPER.

MR. WRIGHT *at Fort St. David.*

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Accot. of the honble. Companys Cash Ballance remaining Pagodas 73752. 13. 46.

GENLL. LETTERS READ VIZ.

From the President & Council of Fort William dated the 24th. of Aprill to advise of the arrivall of the George Brigantine.

From the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 2d. Ulto.

From the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David datd. the 3d. Inst. to accompany a copy of their Watchman's Cowle and to desire that their Accot. Currt. with this Presidency may be sent them.

Messrs. Cooke & Draper report that they have examin'd the Treasure that came upon the King George in the presence of the Capt. and find it comes out according to Invoice.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*——

Richard Benyon Land Custom^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for last month Viz^t^.

Choultry Customes	Pag^s^.	372	16	39
Ruby Brokerage		189	24	51
Registring Slaves		—	32	—
		563	1	10

Ballance due from him Pagodas 544. —. Ca. 10.

Capt. Simon Hill late Comm^r^. of a Ship call'd the Brittania Galley that was seized at Batavia some time ago being bro^t^ before the Board was examin'd concerning that affair and order'd to deliver a full acco^t^. of it the next Consultation.

The Governour acquaints the Board that he has lately rec^d^. a particular Letter from Govr. Boone giving him a full Acco^t^. of the unhappy Quarrells and divisions that have arisen in that Place occasion'd cheifly by Messrs. Parker and Braddyll who are both under Suspension and that he has been obliged in order to prevent any ill consequences that might attend their Factious mutinous behaviour to send them both off the Island.

The Governour thereupon took occasion to acquaint the Board that he could not forbear thinking Govern^r^. Boon's Case with respect to the Commotions and disturbances that have been rais'd by seditious People there in order to create him uneasiness in his Government very parallel to his own although he has not proceeded to such rigorous methods.

ORDER'D that the aforesaid Letter be entred after this Consultation.

The Governour likewise lays before the Board a Letter which he rec^d^. from M^r^. Jennings Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David upon the subject of the disposall of the ships at Outcry mentioned in last Consultation, whereby it appears that M^r^. Jennings entirely agrees in opinion with the Governour that the method by him propos'd is just and reasonable.

ORDER'D that the said Letter be entred after this Consultation.

The President reports to y^e^. Board that agreeable to the advice which was given by the Majority of the Council the last Consultation [*one line lost*] at publick Outcry and that for the benefit of all concern'd he bid himself to a considerable amount and bought them at the following prizes, which are thought necessary to be [in]certed here on Acco^t^. of the very large difference between their publick & private Valuation.

	Valued at		sold for
SHIP SUNDERLAND	4500		7050
SHIP WINDSOR	5000		7050
SHIP KING GEORGE	8000		20000
	17500	Pag^s^.	34100
The difference ...	16600		
Pag^s^.	34100		

The President adds that having thus laid a fair statement of the whole matter before y^e^. Board he is of opinion that when our hon^ble^. Masters shall be pleas'd to consider the case and become sensible how great a sufferer he has been made by people's imploying their Agents to bid ag^t^. him out of picque and prejudice, they as we[ll] as all impartiall Men will allow that what has been done is fair, just & reasonable.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO. COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOVERN^R. THURSDAY THE 15TH.

RICH^D. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.

NATHANIEL TURNER RICH^D. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

M^R. WRIGHT *at Fort S^t. David.*

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmast^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him Pag^s. 79. 18. 70 wch. is paid into Cash.

Poneala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pag^s. 583 : 12 for last month's rent of that Farm, he also pays in Pag^s. 136. 24 for two month's rent of the Measuring duty.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays into Cash Pag . 333. 12 for last month.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymaster be advanced Pag^s. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

Joshua Draper Rentall Gen^ll. & Scavinger pays in Pag^s. 500 on the following Acco^ts. Viz.

Acco^t. Quit Rent	Pag^s.	474	25
Scavingers duty		25	11
	Pag^s.	500	—

The Accomptant reports that the Fort S^t. David Cash and Merchants Acco^ts. for Aprill & May are upon examination found to be right.

Capt. Simon Hill late Commander of the Brittania Galley who was seiz'd at Batavia delivers in a representation of that affair together with a Copy of his Instructions wch. are order'd to be transmitted to England by the first opportunity, the said Representation is entred after this Consultation.

Messrs. Emmerson and Draper according to order of Consultation of the [*lacuna*] deliver in their report of the Villages of Egmore &c^t. as entred hereafter.

ORDER'D that the Allowances be made to the Inhabitants agreeable to their Report.

Capt. William Warden Comm^r. of the hon^ble. Company's ship King George delivers in an obligation to take 40 Tons of the Pepper now on board him at half Freight & promises to send the rest ashore.

AGREED that he be permitted so to do and that his Obligation be entred after this Consultation.

Capt. Thomas Gilbert Command^r. of ship Chandos appears before the Board and Complains of Thomas Wynn and John Smith two Sailors belonging to the s^d. ship for their mutinous behaviour aboard, the former for striking the Cheif Mate M^r. Willm. Holloway and the latter for beating M^r. Edward Gilbert fifth Mate of s^d. Ship; They being brought before the Board [&] examin'd, M^r. Holloway confirms the accusation against the former & alledges that he saw the latter strike the Boatswain the same day as he had been guilty of the same to him, and that he has always been a quarrelsome Fellow; Wynard Page appears also as a Wittness against the latter.

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Capt. Gilbert also complains of three others nam'd Patrick Mackdowell, Francis Keld, & William Ford, for abusing their Officers, calling them names and refusing to do their duty when Commanded by them, Mr. Edward Gilbert the fifth Mate Wittnesses against them.

ORDER'D that they be committed to the custody of the Marshall till further orders.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

Pursuant to an order of Consultation of the [*lacuna*] ulto. we have viewed the grain about the villages of Egmore, Persiawaack which we find in good condition and have enquired into the priviledges the Inhabitants of those Villages had when they were formerly in the hands of the Honble. Company, and find that they were allow'd fifty five per cent upon the produce of grain for their Tillage and the Honble. Company had forty five clear of all charges so that about eight garse of the twenty mentioned in Mr. Newcome's report is an innovation of the Inhabitants and therefore we leave it to be determin'd by your Honr. &ct.

As to the great Tank which Mr. Newcome mentions will cost about Pags. five hundred in repairing we do not find that ever the Honble. Company were at any charge in such repairs that being always bore by the Inhabitants. Its true the Famine has reduc'd them very low so that if your Honr. &ct. think fit to build them a few sluices to the Tank we think they ought to throw the Banks up at their own charge.

We are with due respect
HONBLE. SR. &CT.
your most obedient Humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE THE 15TH. 1721.

JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

In answer to the proposall your Honr. &ca. were pleased to make to me the last Consultation about carrying the Pepper which I have on board belonging to the Honble. Company home at half freight, I could wish your Honr. &ct. would permitt me to carry it at whole freight as part of my Loading from Bornea, but in case you are pleased to refuse me that Liberty I beg leave to keep about forty tons aboard to shoot in my hold amongst the Bales, and if you please I'le send the rest ashore.

I am HONBLE. SR. &CT.
your most obedt. humble Servant
WILLIAM WARDEN.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE THE 15TH. 1721.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*—

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President & Governr. of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Several false reports having been spread in relation to my coming to India I think it necessary to acquaint your Honr. &ct. with the occasion of my first setting out in the ship Brittania Gally & of the success we met with in our intended voyage.

About the latter end of August 1719 Capt. Lane sent for me in London and told me he could help me to the command of a ship and a voyage which he believ'd was to the Cape for to take in a Cargo proper for Amsterdam. I told him that I was engag'd to go with Capt. Gordon to China, but he reply'd T'would be much more to advantage to be a Captain than continue Mate to India where I had made so many voyages without hope of preferment, reflecting on this I went to Mr. Bryan Johnson who he said was one of the owners and enquiring of him he told me that himself, some Gentlemen at Amsterdam, and some at Antwerp design'd the ship for the Cape that perhaps she might be order'd to touch at some part of Brazill, but that that was uncertain however, I must ship the men for Brazill that it might not be known she was bound to the Cape. Thinking this voyage would be an advantage to my family I accepted of it and accordingly in October sail'd for Holland where I waited on Mr. Johnson and he order'd a cargo on board which I very well knew was proper only for Cape Bona Esperanza.

A little before I was ready to sail Mr. Johnson gave me the instructions and told me that he did not doubt of my meeting with good usage at the Cape, but if it should happen otherwise I must proceed for Batavia and act according to the Instructions in such case. I was surprized to hear of Batavia and made answer that I could by no means undertake such a voyage, but he continually pressing me to proceed with fair promises and assurances of my great success, and considering I could not recede without great loss to myself, I set sail in November and arrived at the Cape 27th February 1719–20, where I met with very unexpected treatment, for instead of assistance and free trade I was order'd out of the Road. All my recommendatory Letters signify'd nothing, for they would not let me land the least part of my Cargo.

Finding ourselves at this Pass according to my orders I put for Batavia and arriv'd there 28th May, where I found that Mr. Jacob Torrant to whom I was consign'd was out of post and under the displeasure of the Government. He told me it was not in his power to do me any manner of service and that he wonder'd at the project, in short I had not been there seven or eight days but our whole scheme was known at Batavia, the ship seiz'd upon and the Cargo sold at publick outcry. The men the Dutch promised to send home upon their ships as likewise myself, but after so great a loss I chose rather to try my fortune in these parts.

If your Honr. &ca. will please to give me any incouragement I shall be proud of serving you in any station you allot me, being with the greatest respect

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Fort St George
13th. June 1721.

Your most obedt. humble Servant
Simon Hill.

Sloop Ramah, Hendrick Johnson, sail'd to Fort St. David. 16
The Jesu Maria Joseph Seignr. Basilio arrd. from Porto Novo. 17
Ship Jane Lavdine Mahomud Ismaul arrd. from Fort St. David. "
Ship Modena Bux Sheik Allee arrived from the Maldives. 18
Ship Richmond Capt. John Mackmath sail'd to Surat. 19
Ship Boneta Capt. John Harry Commander sail'd to Canton. 20
Ship Vincattes Sied Julal Noquedah sail'd to Bengall. 21
Ship London Capt. George Biggins sail'd to ditto. 22
Ship Hampton Court Lewis D'Estore sail'd to ditto. "
Ship Coventry Capt. Isaac Willison sail'd to ditto. "

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721—

At a Consultation

Present

FRYDAY THE 23D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekr. reads His Accots. for Aprill and May Ballance due from him for Aprill Pags. 8849. 31. 9, for May Pags. 7165. 6. 17 whereof he now pays in Pags. 4665. 32. 56 in part of his ballance for Aprill.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeepr. reads his Accots. for Aprill and May Ballance due frō him on the former Pags. 9720. 18. 57, on the latter Pags. 14153. 11. 33 whereof he pays in Pags. 9487. 14. 57 in part of his Aprill month's Ballance and represents his taking an Accot. Remains has hinder'd him from delivering them in before.

Accompt. delivers in a report of the Benjar Books, which being read the supra Cargoes were call'd in & the sd. Report was deliver'd to them that they might give an answer thereto the next Consultation.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Custom on Goods Exported and Imported ...	Pags.	4089	12	26
Ditto on Grain		108	11	72
Anchorage		38	—	—
		4235	24	68

Ballance due from him Pags. 9522. 2. 20 of which he pays in Pags. 2000.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that Accot. for last month Viz.

Charges Garrison		1925	28	10
Charges Generall		663	11	55
Garden Bridge		613	7	40
New Warehouse		45	33	50
Charges Cattle...		146	13	60
Repairs of Fortifications		94	14	10
Diet & Stores laid in		508	8	22
Charges Diet		473	27	20
Dieu Island		10	—	—
Charges Extraordinary		106	27	—
Bombay Presidency		37	18	37
	Pags.	4625	9	64

Ballance due to him Pags. 1625. 9. 64 wch. is orderd to be paid him.

Upon examining the extraordinary Expence for last month we find it to arise from ye. following particulars Viz.

GARDEN BRIDGE for Workmen &ct.				Pags.	613	7	40
NEW WAREHOUSE					45	33	50
DIEU ISLAND for the Gunners Mate					10	—	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY.							
Engineer Johnson & Joseph Jomes Funerall Charges	40	33	—				
4 Cots & Bedding for the Anjengo Widows	23	—	—				
Diet to Prisoners & Water to the Soldrs. at Egmore	28	9	—				
					106	27	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY.							
For half a months allowance to the Anjengo Widows					37	18	37
				Pags.	813	14	47

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John Emmerson Storekeep^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 1964. 20. 60 and delivers in An Acco^{t}. Remains to the Ult^{o}. Aprill which is deliverd to the Accomp^{t}. in order to be examin'd.

A Letter from the Queen of Attinga read concerning the Murder of the Gentlemen at Anjengo, wch. is orderd to be entred hereafter.

A Letter from the Nabob Saddatulla Cawn read desiring payment of his usuall Piscash which is ord^{d}. to be paid him.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRA: HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

Agreeable to your Hon^{r}. &c^{as}. orders of the last month I have examin'd the Acco^{ts}. deliver'd in by the Supra Cargoes of the King George from Benjar and shall now lay before you what I think necessary to remark thereon, having compar'd them with the Acco^{ts}. of the Princess Amelia's voyage thither, which is the only ship besides this that has come from thence to this place.

I observe they give 5½ Dollars a pecul for pepper, which is half a Dollar more than the other ship gave, the reasons that oblig'd them to buy at so high a price are express'd at large in their Diary, to which your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will please to be referr'd. I further take notice that the Dotchin they weigh'd by wanted 6 Catty in a pecul, so that their whole quantity of pepper as they bought it was 6 per cent less than their Acco^{ts}. make it, afterwards it was garbled, by which it must necessarily lose something in weight, notwithstanding which they have deliver'd in no Acco^{ts}. of the deficiencys arising either from the short weight or garblage, and it stands in their Books just as they first weighed it, so that it is not possible to know how much they have on board.

Their Factory Expences are higher than those by the Princess Amelia, the latter amounting in 7 mos. 15 days to p^{s}. 8/8 1109: 2: 30. and theirs in 5 mos. 4 days to pieces of eight 1282: 3: 1. including the wine brought from England, which cheifly happens in the money laid out for provisions and diet at Batavia, being by this ship p^{s}. 8/8 457. and by the Amelia's p^{s}. 267: 2. It is impossible to trace all the particulars that occasion this difference, I shall therefore only remark one or two of the chief. One is that they buy five pecull of Sugar and one of Sugarcandy amounting to Rix Dollars 38: 4. whereas there is not quite 1½ pecull of Sugarcandy and no sugar at all in the Amelia's Acco^{ts}. they charge Dollars 36 for Soosies for Curtains and two Dollars a day for diet. By the other ship there is nothing like the first article, and in the latter they charge no more than one Dollar per day each.

The Presents and anchorage are a small matter cheaper by this ship than they were by the Amelia.

I am with all respect
HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
Your most obed^{t}. Servant
RICHARD HORDEN.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JUNE THE 23^{D}. 1721.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*——

A TRANSLATE OF A MALABAR LETTER FROM THE QUEEN OF ANTANQUALL NAM'D AMUTUMBARAN TO THE HON^{BLE}. GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

At first when I invited Merchants to trade here amongst the rest was the English to whom I gave a large spot of ground to build a Fort on and also gave them assurances of not being molested. Notwithstanding which the English shelter'd one Comadevormur who had acted contrary to their Cast, after the arrivall of M^{r}. Gifford at Anjengo the Inhabitants of the Villages round the Fort rose in arms against the English and some of them was kill'd in the Villages. The beginning of this trouble was in August 1720 which occasion'd the Pepper trade to stand still. In January last there arriv'd four ships from Cochin with soldiers, which so terrify'd the Inhabitants that they quitted the place and came to me. I then sent my head man named Vanga Mutapilla to make up the differences between the English and the Inhabitants, and order'd them to return and live there as usuall, and on the 6th. of Aprill last I sent for Codervompilla, who is one of the head men, with some more Inhabitants and order'd them to make peace with the English and make satisfaction for all damages done them which they accordingly did. On the 14th Aprill the Governour with severall other Gentlemen came with 150 soldiers to see me, when they arriv'd at my house the above nam'd Codervompilla with some Inhabitants combin'd together and fell upon them and cut them all off, which was unknown to me or any of my attendants. As soon as I heard what a treacherous thing the Inhabitants had been guilty of to the English especially at such a time, I with my Family and my Chief man Venga Mutapilla fled into another's dominions and have since wrote the Inhabitants that if the English will come and live there as usuall I would return, otherwise continue where I was. I therefore desire you will send some people with forces with all speed and when you arrive I will come with my force and give you all the assistance I can and comply with anything that you shall require, and desire you'll consider it well and send me an answer per the Bearer Kisna Braminy with all speed.

23 Ship Shrowsbury Capt. John D'Mat arriv'd from Maldives.

24 Rec^{d}. a Genl. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 18th instant.

" Ship Modena Bux Sheik Allee sail'd for Bengall.

25 Ship S^{t}. Lewis Capt. John Bern Commander arriv'd from Pondichery.

27 Ship S^{t}. Marcus Coja Avakeen Noquedah sail'd for Bengall.

" Ship Good Hope Chindadre Capt. Edwd. Bell sail'd to ditto.

" Ship S^{t}. Lewis Capt. John Bern Comm^{r}. sail'd to ditto.

28 Ship Jaggerai Colloway Chittee owner arr^{d}. from Pondicherry.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 29TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOVERN^{R}.

RICH^{D}. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.

NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Thomas Cooke Warehousekeeper pays in Pag^{s}. 4417. 2. 33 on the following Acco^{ts}. Viz.

In full of the Export Ballance for Aprill	4183	34	33
Import D^{o}.	233	4	—
Pag^{s}.	4417	2	33

He also delivers in an Acco^{t}. of Sundrys in the Wareh^{o}. which are decay'd and render'd useless.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*——

ORDER'D that the Severall particulars mention'd in the said Acco^{t}. be sold at publick Outcry except the Soldiers Coats that were sent out by the Hartford for the West Coast.

John Emmerson Storekeep^{r}. delivers in a List of sundry's decay'd & useless in the Storehouse.

ORDER'D that they be sold at Outcry excepting the Arms mention'd therein.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in Pag^{s}. 544. —. 10 in full of the Ballance of his last months Account.

ORDERD that the King George be sent to Fort S^{t}. David for a Loading of bales and that what Wares and stores they have demanded be sent upon her.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern^{r}. [and] Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 18th. Instant read.

The Widow of Engineer Johnson Dec^{d}. being left by him in very mean and indigent Circumstances, It's

AGREED that as her husband came out a Servant of the hon^{ble}. Company's and being in the Condition as above represented The Paymaster do make her a monthly allowance of ten Pagodas, The Minister & Churchward^{ns}. having already consented to give her five Pag^{s}. ℘ month.

The President produces a Letter which he rec^{d}. from the Honble. Comp^{as}. late Merchants at Madapollam The import of which is to advise of their having resided there a Considerable time in expectation of having rec^{d}. an order for an Investment and to make an offer to provide Such Goods as we shall direct to the amount of twenty or thirty thousand Pagodas at a cheaper rate than what formerly contracted for.

ORDERD that the aforesaid Letter be enter'd after this Consultation, That we give them some incouragement to hope for what they desire and that we keep the matter in Suspense till we shall see convenient to come to some determination concerning it.

Uppullopo Narran who complain'd agst. Rangapa sometime ago having absconded when he was order'd to go to arbitration

ORDER'D that he be nonsuted in case he does not return in ten or fifteen days time.

Messrs. English and Tempest Supra Cargoes of ship King George deliver in their answer to the Accomptant's report which being read is order'd to be entred hereafter.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

We have been long here expecting that the Company would have had a Contract made for Goods to be provided at this place and upon that Acco^{t}. we have kept our Residence Altogether here, some days ago Colladunde Ramrauz was enquiring of us if We knew the meaning why the English had not Goods provided at Madapollam (as they have a settlement there) as well as the French and Dutch and advis'd us at the same time to write your Hon^{r}. concerning it and make an offer to provide Goods something cheaper than formerly. Therefore we have now wrote this Letter and sent a List of Goods inclosed with y^{e}. price the Company used to pay and what we are now

willing to provide them for and hope after your Hour. has perused it you'll send a Cheif and we do promise to contract for 20 or 30000 Pagodas worth of such Goods as he shall direct. The abovesaid Colladunde Ramrauz has promised us his utmost assistance in the Company's affairs.

The French & Dutch pay the Same for Goods as mentioned in the List.

COLLEPOLLE NARSUE.
GOBA LINGANA.
CARRALUI BAULU.
CONDA BOMPLUE.
DASHARAUZ GUNGARAUZ.
SUNCA NARSU.
PATCHECA CHINNIA.
NALLUM BAULU.
COSSANURE SERIA.
GOBO BASSAVIA.

		Yds.		yds.	Inchs.		Former price				₽sent price		
LONG CLOTH FINE	...	36	long	1	1	broad	102	—	—	₽ Co:	80	—	—
GINGHAMS ...	...	3½		3	—	D°.	27	18	—		22	18	—
SALEMPORES FINE	.	15½		1	1	D°.	37	—	—		27	18	—
PERCALLS ...	...	7½		1	1	D°.	18	—	—		13	27	—
LONG CLOTH ORDRY.	...	36		1	1	D°.	39	—	—		35	—	—
SALEMPORES ORDRY.	...	15½		1	1	D°.	18	—	—		15	—	—
BOOK PERCALLS ...	...	6		1	—	D°.	20	—	—		18	—	—
DUNGAREES ...	...	12	D°.		...		7	18	—		6	18	—
IZAREES	...	8	D°.	1	...	D°.	25	—	—		25	—	—

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

We have perused the report made upon the Accots. of our Voyage to which we beg leave to reply.

As to the price we bought the Pepper at the report refers your Honr. &ca. to our Diary and we hope your Honr. &ca. will be satisfy'd with the reasons there mention'd.

As to the weight, garblage & Accot. of Pepper per our Books and the Bill of Loading make out the following Accot.

	Pecull.	Cat.				
It appears that we bought ...	1584	88				
Short weight 6 per cent	95	9				
Gross Pepper	1489	79	is tons	109	11	92
Loss in garbling 4 tons : 8L cwt 21 lb. per cent				4	11	02
Remains for the Honble. Company's Accot.				105	—	—

As to our Factory Expences and the sum of them exceeding the Princess Amelia's and to the particular Articles mention'd, your Honr. &ca. know we were strangers to the Princess Amelia's Accots. but we have the Accots. of the Phistleworth's Voyage 1717, which Accots. our Honble. Masters order'd us to copy for our Information and we find by their Accots. that our Honble. Masters did allow them Soosies for Curtains, Sugar and Sugarcandy & two Dollars per day for diet, and we observe that their charges did exceed ours.

Tis observ'd to your Honr. &ca. that our Presents and anchorage are a small matter cheaper than the Amelia's.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1721*—

Upon the whole we beg leave to assure your Honr. &ca. that we have always consulted the interest of our Honble. Employers, and had we not been oblig'd to leave the place in so much Confusion we might have been able to have render'd a better Accot. of our Voyage, which we offer to your Honr. &cas. consideration and are with great respect

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

MADRASS your most obedient Servants

JUNE 26TH 1721. CHARLES ENGLISH.

GEORGE TEMPEST.

The Jesu Maria Joseph Seignr. Basilio sail'd for Manilha. 30

Ship Kensington Capt. Charles Ward sail'd to Siam. JULY. 1

Recd. a Genl. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 1st. instant. 4

Ship Caudri Salamut Mahomud Ismaul sail'd to Bengall. 5

AT A CONSULTATION

Present THURSDAY THE 6TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Accot. of the honble. Company's Cash for last month Ballance remaining Pags. 90660. 3. 48.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays in Pags. 333. 12 for last month.

Genll. Letter from the Depty. Governour & Council of Fort St. David dated the 1st. Inst. read to inclose their Cash Accot. for last month.

ORDERD that twenty thousand Pagodas be sent them as a Supply for their Cash.

The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells for the month of Aprill and gives it for a reason that their not being read sooner was occasion'd by the Warehouse-keeper's Accots. being not deliver'd in by the usuall time.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymr. be advanced three thousand Pagodas to defray charges Garrison.

Genll. Letter to the Deputy Governr. & Council of Fort St. David design'd ℘ Ship King George read & sign'd to inclose Invoice and Bill of Loading for sundry Wares and stores put aboard her for that Place.

The President delivers to the Board a Letter which he received lately from the Nabob wherein he refers him also to a Letter wrote by Suncha Ramah upon the Subject of Trivitore Villages &ct. which he acquaints him the Nabob demands the delivery of.

AGREED that the President returns him for answer that we have sometime since wrote to our honble. Masters about them and that when we receive their orders concerning them we shall act conformable thereto.

ORDER'D that the Sum of 35 Pagodas be paid out of Cash in full of the last years Cawn Gohee Duty.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1721—

7 Ship Hannover Capt. Stephen Woodhouse arr^{d}. from Mocha.

— Ship King George (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. William Warden Command^{r}. sail'd to Fort S^{t}. David.

— Dispatch'd ℘ Tappys a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David of yesterdays date.

9 About six a clock this night M^{r}. Thomas Wright arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David.

10 Dispatch'd ℘ Tappys a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David to accompany twenty thousand Pagodas sent under charge of Forty peons.

10 Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David.

11 Ship Shrowsbury Capt. John De Matt sail'd to Bengall.

Brigant Boneta Capt. Thomas Harris sail'd to Ditto.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 13th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govern^{r}.
Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke. Rand^{ll}. Fowke.
Nathan^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Jno. Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort S^{t}. David Cash Acco^{t}. for last month is right.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that Acco^{t}. for last month Viz.

Choultry Customs	Pag^{s}.	334	9	14
Ruby Brokerage		115	30	30
Registring Slaves		1	12	—
	Pag^{s}.	451	15	44

Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 432. 14. 44.

The President informs the Board that Narran who was mentioned in a form^{r}. Consultation to have absconded is since return'd to his habitation and has agreed that the dispute between him and M^{r}. Tully's Dubash shall be ended by Arbitration.

M^{r}. Thomas Wright a member of this Board delivers in a Petition as entred after this Consultation desiring our leave to lay down the Company's Service in order to take his Passage upon the Ship Hastings now bound to China that he may go home upon one of their Ships bound from thence in January next and desires to be recommended to the Honble. Court of Directors that they may permit him to return to his station here upon his application to them for that purpose it being only the necessity of his Affairs [that] has obliged him to quit their Service now.

Agreed that his Request be granted [and] that M^{r}. Joshua Draper do take upon him the Po[st] of Secretary and Receiver which M^{r}. Wright officia[tes] in.

Capt. Thomas Gilbert applying to the Bo[ard] to have his Men brought to Some Sort of Punishment of whom he complain'd sometime since,

Agreed that they be severely whip[t] at all the principall Gates in the Garrison and then released.

Fra: Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1721*——

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
President & Governr. &cr. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &cr.

Having some affairs in England which require my speedy presence there and no Ships being ready here to transport me thither directly I humbly request your Honr. &cts. permission to resign the Honble. Companys Service in order to go upon the Hastings to China that I may go from thence to England on one of their Ships bound home from thence and as tis only necessity that obliges me to leave their Service I desire your Honr. &cts. recommendation to the honble. Court of Directrs. that I may obtain their leave to return to my station in case I should apply to them to come abroad again.

I am with Respect,

Fort St. George

Honble. Sr. &ca.

the 13th. July 1721.

Yor. most Obedient humble. Servant,

Thomas Wright.

Ship Chester Capt. William Baudicum arrd. from the Maldives. 16

Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson sail'd to Fort St. David. —

Ship Hastings Capt. Timothy Tullie sail'd to Canton on whom Mr. Thomas Wright embarcqued. —

Ship Triplicane Capt. Issac Hanson sail'd to Manilha. —

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort St. David datd. the 15th. Instant. 18

Recd a Genll. Letter from Mr. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam datd. the 2d. Instant. 19

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 20th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Governr.

Richd. Horden. Thomas Cooke. Randll. Fowke.

Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.

John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Accot. for last month Ballance due from him Pagodas 67. 4. 30 and Rupees 1119. 9. —. the former of which is paid into Cash and the latter deliverd to the Import Warehousekeeper.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pagodas 583. 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

Genll. Letter from the Depty. Governr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 15th. Instant read to accompany [their] Merchants Accots. wch. are deliver'd to the Accomptant.

Generall Letter to the President & Council of Bombay to go by Pattamars, read and sign'd.

Genll. Letter from Mr. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam datd. the 2d. July read to inclose his Accot. for June.

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Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads his Acco^t^. for last month, Viz.

Charges Garrison	Pag^s^.	1936	22	50
Charges Generall		791	18	70
Garden Bridge		472	22	40
Charges Cattle		147	13	5
Repairs of Fortifications		90	30	[...]
Triplicane Bridge		135	26	[50]
New Warehouse		49	12	50
Charges Extraordinary		15	12	50
Charges Diet		471	1	25
Diet and Stores laid in		915	18	35
Bombay Presidency		50	—	—
	Pag^s^.	5075	35	50

Ballance due to him Pagodas 2075. 35. 50 which is ord^d^. to be paid him.

Upon examining the extraordinary Expences for last month we find them to arise from the following particulars.

CHARGES GARRISON for Gunnys, rope &c^t^. to the out Choultrys				Pag^s^.	15	3	25
GARDEN BRIDGE for Materials and Workmen					472	22	40
NEW WAREHOUSE					49	12	50
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY for Diet to Prisoners & Water for the Soldiers at Egmore					15	12	50
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE					135	26	50
DIET & STORES laid in for 15 Chests of Syrash	148	31	40				
2 Pipes Port Wine, 2 butts Beer, 2 Jars & 1 chest of oyl as ℔ Warehousekeep^rs^. note ...	297	15	—		446	10	40
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for Subsistance money to the Widows Cowse, Burton, & their Children. ...					50	—	—
				Pag^s^.	1184	17	15

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due from him Pagodas 2533. 14. 45, of which he pays in Pagodas 1500.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Ship Providence Capt^t^. William Ferquhar arr^d^. from Persia.

26 Ship Dover Capt^t^. Stephen Worlidge arr^d^. from y^e^. West Coast.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R]. PRESID[T]. & GOVERN[R]. THURSDAY THE 27TH.
RICH[D]. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RAND[LL]. FOWKE.
NATH[LL]. TURNER. RICH[D]. BENYON. JN[O]. EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeeper his acco[t]. for last month read Ballance due to him Pag[s]. 2372. 10. 71.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousek[r]. his Acco[t]. for last month read Ball[ce]. due from him Pag[s]. 9021. 32. 78.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads his Acco[t]. for last month Viz[t].

Customs on Goods Exported and Imported	Pag[s].	2829	35	54
D[o]. on Grain		64	3	48
Anchorage		65	18	—
	Pag[s].	2959	21	22

Ballance due from him Pag[s]. 10450. —. 42 whereof he pays in Pag[s]. 3000.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in the Ballance of his last months Acco[t]. being 432. 14. 44. (Pags. fa. Ca.)

The President delivers to the Board a Protest which he has rec[d]. from the Agent of Persia against Mess[rs]. Bourchier and Foxley Supra Cargoes of the Ship Shawallum and M[r]. Gray Supra Cargo of Ship Providence which being read, It is

ORDER'D that that affair be referr'd till their arrivall here.

The President informs the Board that he has reced advice that D[r]. Rider the present Surgeon at Vizagapatam is uneasy in his station [&] there being one M[r]. Ringer a person of the same profession now in the Place who is recommended as Capable of such an employ

AGREED that the s[d]. M[r]. Ringer [do] take his Passage on the Francis now bound thither and that he continue there as Surgeon in case M[r]. Symonds shall think fit to accept him.

The Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam desiring that a Quantity of Rupees may be sent them for carrying on their Investment a[nd] for their Garrison Charges and the President making an offer to the Board to order his Ship Francis (althô She is bound to the Bay) [to call] in there and deliver them

ORDER'D that the Warehousek[r]. do send aboard her ten thousand Rupees accordingly.

Joshua Draper Rentall Gen[ll]. & Scavinger pays in Pag[s]. 77. 18 for three months Butteca Rent & Shroff duty ending the 31st. May.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH[D]. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH[LL]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Ship Monmouth (belonging to the Hon[ble]. Company) Cap[t]. Reginald Kemeys Command[r]. arrived from Great Brittain but last from Madera by whom rec[d]. a Pacquet from the Hon[ble]. Court of Directors. 31

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 31ST.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

The honble Companys ship Monmouth Capt. Reginald Kemeys Commandr. arriving this morning from Great Brittain but last from Maderas having touch'd there in her way hither, her Pacquet was opened and a Generall Letter from the Honble. Court of Directors dated the 24th. February last was read, whereupon an order was sign'd to the Commander to send ashore what Treasure, Wares and Stores he had aboard him belonging to the Honble. Company.

A Letter from Messrs. Hayward & Rider factors for the H. Compa. datd. the 12th. of April read giving an Accot. of their havs. Ship'd on board the Mommouth 80 pipes of Madeira wine for their Accot. wch. the Whkr. is Order'd to Send for ashore.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

AUGUST 2D. Ship Gienno De Franco Manoel D'Lemas saild to Pegue.

4 Ship Francis Capt. Samuel Kekwich sail'd to Bengall.

10 Ship King George (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. William Warden Commr. arrd. from Fort St. David by whom recd. a Genll. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council there datd. the 7th. Instant.

Ship Hannover Capt. James Hurdis sail'd to Bengall by whom sent a Genll. Letter to the President and Council of Fort William datd. the 9th. Instant to inclose their Pacquet from the Honble. Court of Directors.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 10TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Accot. of the honble. Company's Cash, Ballance remaining Pags. 71542. 29. 22.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that Accot. for last month Viz.

Choultry Customs...	... ...	339 13 35
Ruby Brokerage	... ...	29 11 65
	Pags.	368 25 20

Ballance due from him Pagodas 329. 14. 20.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash Pags. 333. 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymr. be advanc'd three thousand Pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1721*—

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty} Govern^{r}. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David ⅌ King George dated y^{e}. 7th. Instant read, Inclosing Invoice and Bill of Loading for four hundred and twenty six Bales sent upon her, also their Cash Acco^{t}. for last month which is deliver'd to the Accomptant in order to be examin'd, and reported.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke, and Turner report that they have examin'd the Treasure and Broad Cloth rec^{d}. ⅌ Ship Monmouth and that they come out conformable to Invoice.

Messrs. Newcome and Murray according to order deliver in an Acco^{t}. of the Condition of the Madeira Wine aboard the Monmouth which being read is order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

The affair which has been sometime depending between M^{r}. Tullie's Dubash Rangapa and Uppullopo Narran being at length determin'd by Persons chosen by the respective Partys to arbitrate that matter, they now deliver in their award (as enter'd hereafter) which being read and Considerd, It is Order'd that the affair be decided agreeable thereto.

M^{r}. Thomas Cooke acquaints the Board that Devroy who is under confinement & sentence of the Pillory has made an offer to him to pay five hundred Pag^{s}. as a fine into the hon^{ble}. Company's Cash (besides the Pags. 400 which he is order'd to pay to the injured Persons) Provided that He may be released from his imprisonment and the said Sentence.

Agreed that in Consideration of his having been an old Servant to the hon^{ble}. Company and the payment of said Fine we do grant him his pardon and that he be forthwith released.

The President delivers in a Letter which he rec^{d}. directed to the Board from Capt. Timothy Tullie Command^{r}. of the Hastings (late the King George) giving an Acco^{t}. that as he was orderd by his New Owners to proceed to China he had sent ashore the Treasure which was brought by that Ship on freight from Surat for the Bay desiring our care of the Same. The President thereupon acquaints the Board that he has sometime since sent a power to the Bay by a proper Person to procure the Certificates from the Proprietors that they are content the risque of their money shall run upon the first Europe Ship to be dispatched from hence for that place and that upon the arrivall of the Monmouth he has had thoughts of sending the money down upon her and accordingly has wrote to the aforementioned Person to know if the Proprietors approve of that Ship, in case they do not the risque shall be on his own acco^{t}. and the money shall be [disposed] of as he shall see proper.

Order'd that Messrs. Gee, Goldfinch and Tullie who are come out Writers on the Monmouth be examin'd by the Secretary and their Qualifications reported to the Board the next Consultation.

Capt. Reginald Kemeys Command^{r}. of Ship Monmouth appears before the Board and complains against Jonathan Bance, Clement Curtis, Thos. Bristow, Manoel Curtis, & Lawrence Follet, the two former for running away with the Yawl, & the others for endeavouring to make their escape from the Ship, They being brought before the Board and examined concerning it confess'd the Facts and alledge that the ill usage they had met with from the Boatswain was the motive that induc'd them to it.

Order'd that they be remanded to prison till further orders.

Fra : Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1721*—

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

We have examin'd the Treasure and Broad cloth recd. from England per ship Monmouth and find them come out right according to Invoice.

We are
Honble. Sr. &ca.
your most Humble Servants
Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.
Nathll. Turner.

Fort St. George
August the 10th 1721.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Pursuant to order we have been aboard the Monmouth & view'd the condition of the Madeira wine. We cannot find any fault in the stowage, but the Casks appear to us to be very weak & severall a great deal leakt out.

We are
Honble. Sr. &ca.
your most Humble and obedient Servants
Stepn. Newcome.
David Murray.

Fort St. George
August the 9th 1721.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

There being aboard the Hastings sixteen Chests of freight Treasure that came on the George from Surat to Bengall, and since I have been at Fort St. George never recd. an order to send it ashore, I therefore presume to send it to your Honr. & Council hopeing thereby it will be taken care of till the Owners of it or your Honr. & Council shall determine otherwise. I having recd. my orders to sail for China makes me hope your Honr. & Council will not deny the humble request of

Honble. Sr. &ca.
your most obedient humble Servant
Timothy Tullie.

On board ship Hastings
July the 15th 1721.

Translate of an Award given by the subscribers and Arbitrators to the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt & Governr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council, the 30th July 1721, between Uppullopo Arrava Narran & Bundla Rangapa.

Whereas the abovesaid Persons having had a dispute and Complain'd to your Honr. &ca. Council, you was pleas'd to order them to go to us to have the matter decided. We have accordingly examin'd the Witnesses and all Accots. whatsoever and give an award as follows.

That Bundla Rangapa should pay Uppullopo Arrava Narran fifty four Pagodas thirteen fanams, and forty five Cash, which we humbly hope your Honr. &ca. Council will be pleas'd to order him, but we cannot find he is any ways guilty of what is aspers'd against him concerning (Narran's son) Subeahs wife, therefore we desire your Honr. &ca. to order the Woman with her Children to be releas'd and oblige them to give each other a full discharge.

Casavia Braminy, Shewamaria Do., Nairo Verapa Chitty, Collastre Chitty, Jime Chitty, Morbare Ramonzalue, Sura Venkatashue, Mollinge Verango Chitty, Cheveram Chitty, Nina Chitty, Rangamarum Tombee Chitty, Pedde Tombee Chitty.

At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Governr.
Richd. Horden. Thomas Cooke. Randll. Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Monday the 14th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster his Accot. for last month read Ballance due from him Pags. 17. 7. 20 which is paid in.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort St. David Cash and Merchts. Accots. have been examin'd and are found right.

Order'd that the Warehousekr. deliver one Chest of Silver to be coin'd into Fanams.

Devroy the late Warehouse Conicoply mentioned in last Consultation now pays in the Pags. 500 which the Board agreed to accept as a Fine in satisfaction for his offence and also Pags. 400 which he was order'd to pay to the Rashwar for the Injury done to him who being call'd in, the money was deliver'd to him and the said Devroy order'd to be released.

Order'd that the Warehousekr. do give notice that the Lead and Iron now come on the Monmouth will be sold at publick Outcry on Tuesday next.

The President acquaints the Board that he has oftentimes call'd upon Suncba Ramah &ct. renters of Trivitore &ct. five new Villages for the last years rent thereof due in October 1720, but that they have put him off from time to time by urging their inability to pay the whole amount being 1200 Pagodas as having actually recd. no more than 436. 10. 30 which Sum they are willing to pay in for the sd. Rent and hope that the Provision made in their Cowle for abatement in case of devastation by war or famine (wch. is their case) may be admitted as valid on this occasion especially as the Same was collected in from time to time by our cheif Braminy who offers his oath that he recd. no more than the Sum aforesaid. But ye. Board considering how strict the Companys orders are in relation to such very affairs as this, and that the Renters themselves are obliged to take their oaths thereupon or else to pay in the whole amount, It was left to their choice but they declining to swear to the truth of what they alledged they were order'd to comply with the full demand of 1200 Pags. and we would represent the affair to our Honble. Masters as favourably as the matter would admit of.

Mr. Lewis Gray offering to pay in Pags. 2015 for our Bills of Exchange of this days date on the honble. Court of Directors payable to Bulstrode Peachey Esqr. or order, the same was accepted and the Bills sign'd accordingly.

The last Will & Testament of John Harnage was this day produc'd and read Wittness'd by Edwd. Rivett, Alexander Orme and Hugh Naish the latter of whom being present did upon oath declare that He saw the Testator sign, seal, publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that he was to all appearance of sound mind & memory. The said Will is enter'd after this Consultation.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1721*——

The Sailors belonging to the Monmouth who were complain'd of last Consultation being brought again before the Board, and examin'd in the presence of the Capt. and Mates nam'd Montgomery, Gilbert Slaughter and Stout, the Boatswain Thos. Hubbard and the Carpenter Henry Rich, They severally confirm'd the truth of what had been alledg'd agst. them. The Board at length Agreed that the three who endeavour'd to make their escape from the Ship by swimming should be whipt at the Gates of the Garrison & that the other two who ran away with the Yawl should be whipt at the Gates and at the side of every Europe Ship in the Road.

The President acquaints the Board that as the Honble. Court of Directors have this year thought fit to recommend to us the assisting Mr. Faucett in recovering some debts which he tells them are standing out at Ingeram and that as they seem inclinable to have some sorts of the Goods provided for them which are procurable there, he proposes to appoint him second of Vizagapatam that so from thence he may be sent to Ingeram to make an end of his own business there and to provide cloth for the Honble. Company as the Cheif and Council shall see occasion. The said proposall being approv'd of by the Board Mr. Faucett was sent for who appear'd & made his acknowledgments to the Board.

Order'd that Mr. John Blunt have leave to come up, that Charles Simpson be appointed third of Council there in his room and that a Writer be sent down with Mr. Faucett by the first opportunity.

Fra: Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

In the name of God Amen I John Harnage of Fort St. George Mercht. being at this time in good health and understanding but proceeding on a Voyage to Canton in China and ignorant of what Casualtys may happen to Subvert the Frame of this transitory Body do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form followg.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Sister Mercy Harnage fifteen hundred Pounds Sterling to be setled on her during Life and afterwards to be equally divided between my two younger Brothers William and Henry or their Heirs.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto Mrs. Elizabeth Whitehorne two hundred Pounds Sterling.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto Mr. John Robins of Crooked Lane two hundred & fifty Pounds Sterling.

Lastly the rest, residue, & Remainder after these Legacys are paid, whatever it be, I do by these Presents give and bequeath unto my Brothers William Harnage and Henry Harnage to be divided in the proportion that six bears to four, six parts to William and four to Henry. I do by these Presents appoint the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr. and Mr. Richard Benyon Trustees for the execution hereof in India and William Bromley of Towksbury Esqr. and Mr. John Robins of Crooked Lane, London, the Executors hereof. In Testimony that the above is my reall Will I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort St. George this 2d. of June 1719.

Signd Seald & deliver'd
in presence of us where no
Stampt Paper is to be had

John Harnage. (*loco sig.*)

Edwd. Reveit.
Alexr. Orme.
Hugh Naish.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1721*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOVERNOUR. MONDAY THE 21ST.

RICH^{D}. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.

NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousek^{r}. reads his Acco^{t}. for last month, Ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 2180. 13. 10.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousek^{r}. reads his Acco^{t}. for last month, Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 13094. 30. 43 whereof he pays in 6000 Pag^{s}.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster his Acco^{t}. for last month read, Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	1946	5	70
Charges Generall	744	31	30
Garden Bridge	81	2	60
Charges extraordinary	15	20	50
Charges Cattle	152	21	50
Repairs of Fortifications	210	20	45
Triplicane Bridge	641	35	55
Bombay Presidency	50	—	—
Horse Furniture	30	—	—
New Warehouse	31	12	70
Charges Diet	460	30	10
Diet & Stores laid in	482	27	23
Pag^{s}.	4847	28	63

Ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 1847. 28. 63 which is order'd to be paid him.

Upon examining the extraordinary Expence for last month we find it to arise from the following particulars, Viz.

GARDEN BRIDGE for Materialls &c^{t}.	81	6	60
TRIPLICANE BRIDGE for D^{o}.	641	35	55
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for Allowances to M^{rs}. Cowse, M^{rs}. Burton & Child^{n}.	50	—	—
HORSE FURNITURE for 4 Saddles for y^{e}. Guards as ℘ Warehousek^{rs}. note	30	—	—
NEW WAREHOUSE	31	12	70
Pag^{s}.	[834	19	25]

John Emmerson Storekeeper his Acco^{t}. for last month read, Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 1131. 1. 20.

Gen^{ll}. Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. the 12th. Ins^{t}. ℘ Sloop Ramah read, to inclose Invoice and Bill of Loading for seventy Bales sent upon her.

The Stretham arriving yesterday from Great Brittain the Commander's reasons were demanded for calling in here when he was bound directly for the Bay which being deliver'd in and read are order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays in Pag^{s}. 583. 12 for last month and Pag. 136. 24 for two m^{os}. rent of the Measuring duty.

Messrs. Emmerson and Draper Churchward^{ns}. as Trustees to the Estate of Ann Holcombe Dec^{d}. desire payment of Pag^{s}. 133. 35. 40 out of the estate of M^{r}. Thomas Jenkinson which Sum he stands indebted to the said Estate for sundry things sold by him at Outcry when he was in the employ of Writer at the Sea Gate.

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ORDER'D that the said Sum of 133. 35. 40 be paid to them accordingly.

The Secretary according to order of Consultation of the 10th. Inst. reports that Messrs. Gee, Goldfinch and Tullie have been since examin'd by him & that he finds them well qualify'd.

ORDER'D that they continue under him.

Petitions of Marr Chitty & Nino Chitty ye. former against Sheveram and the latter against the Companys Merchants read (as entred after this Consultation) which are AGREED to be referr'd to Messrs. Benyon & Draper in order to be by them examin'd and reported.

The Warehousekr. reports to the Board that upon his inspecting the Bales sent from Fort St. David by the King George he found severall of them very much wetted within althô their Package seem'd to be well and good, that in order to discover which were damaged he had been obliged to open them all, That He found twenty nine Bales which he was obliged to deliver to the Washers & that the others being in good Condition he had repack't them.

ORDER'D that we advise thereof in our next Letter to Fort St. David that the Depty. Governr. & Council may receive the damage of the Macquaw People there, it appearing to have been recd. in carrying them off to the Ship.

ORDER'D that Ship King George be Survey'd & reported in order to be dispatch'd for England with all convenient Speed.

The Honble. Company having in their List of Investment order'd fifty Tons of Cowrys & their being a parcell in Town offer'd to sale,

AGREED that the same be purchas'd at 30 Pags. ℔ Candy the Owners refusing to sell them under.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO. COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

The reasons of my coming to this port when I am bound directly for the Bay being enquired of me by your Secretary in your name, I am to acquaint your Honr. &ca. in answer that I touch'd in here to get some intelligence concerning the Pirates in order to secure my Passage the better to Bengall, but as I do not hear of any of them on this side, I shall depart hencein prosecution of my voyage this night, and am

HONBLE. SR. &CA.
Your most obedient humble Servant
GEORGE WESTCOTT.

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AUGUST 21ST 1721.

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

The Petition of Marr Chitty

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner was indebted to his Brother Cheveram Chitty a small sum of money, but not being able to pay it on demand, he complain'd to Mr. Legg then Mayor who order'd your Petitioner's house & effects to be sold for to discharge the debt, which was done, and the said Cheveram Chitty rec^d^. the produce. Now the said Cheveram Chitty was indebted to me some money on which Acco^t^. I made my Complaint to Mr. Nanney, Register of the Mayor's Court, who promised your Petitioner it should be decided by arbitration, but Mr. Nanney dying soon after, the matter was dropt. It being now a long time since and your Petitioner not having rec^d^. the money humbly begs your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will be pleas'd to send for the said Cheveram Chitty and order him to leave the matter to arbitration, and your Petitioner as in Duty bound

Shall ever pray &c^a^.

To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govern^r^. of Forts St. George & St. David &c^a^.

The humble Petition of Nina Chitty

Whereas your Petitioner being in Govr. Pitt's time a great encourager of trade particularly in keeping up the price of the Honble. Company's Broad Cloth, where at the last sale the before mention'd President made your Petitioner bid up to forty five per cent on Invoice, which enrag'd the other Chittys, notwithstanding they at last agreed to be partners with him and consented by proposall of the President to let your Petitioner have a quarter part, but Colloway Chitty the next day making a doubt in case of Loss on the Broad Cloth whether your Petitioner would stand to it when the President order'd Mr. Benyon to draw out an obligation to that purpose which your Petitioner sign'd and deliver'd to Calloway Chitty and at the same time borrow'd of the President six thousand Pagodas having no ready Cash fearing they should demand his share and offer'd it to Colloway Chitty, who delay'd receiving it from day to day till the President embark'd for England, after which Colloway Chitty &c^a^. finding the Broad Cloth a profitable commodity would not accept of your Petitioner's money nor grant him any share in the Broad Cloth, your Petitioner complain'd to Mr. Benyon, who was Witness to the obligation, and got him at the same time to write a letter to His Hon^r^. Pitt, copy of which and his Hon^rs^. answer your Petitioner can produce. Concerning this affair likewise complain'd to his Hon^r^. Harrison who was pleas'd to summon Colloway Chitty and examin'd the business and order'd him immediately to account with your Petitioner, he promis'd then he would, but shifted it off by pretending Company's business, till the President went home, your Petitioner complain'd again to Govern^r^. Collet and was serv'd the same manner, and having paid Mr. Benyon three hundred and odd Pagodas Interest on the above money borrow'd besides the profit that should come to him on the Broad Cloth and Loss of time in pleading for it, all which your Petitioner most humbly refers to your Hon^rs^. Consideration relying on your justice he shall (as in duty bound) ever pray.

Ship Stretham (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. George Westcott Commander, sail'd to Bengall. 22d

Dy'd Mr. John Acton, Factor, in the Honble. Company's service. 21

Sloop Prince Christian Swin Carp sail'd to Tranquebar. 24

Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson sail'd to Fort St. David. 25

The Boone Frigate Capt. John Standard arr^d^. from Persia. 27

Ship Shawallum Capt. Rowland Leidgindger arr^d^. from Ditto. "

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 28TH

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.

RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.

NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer his Accot. for last month read, Vizt.

Custom on Goods Exported & Imported	2155	8	62
Do. on Grain	26	12	36
Anchorage	54	—	—
Pags.	2235	21	18

Ballance due from him Pags. 9653. 34. 60 of which he pays in Pags. 2000.

Richard Benyon Landcustomer pays in Pags. 349. 14. 70 in full of the Ballance of his last mos. Account.

The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells for the month of June. He also delivers in a List of debts standing out, which the Secretary is order'd to call in.

The Storekeepr. reports to the Board that He finds a deficiency in the Monmouth's Invoice of some Iron Hoops, whereupon the Secry. informs the Board that Messrs. Hayward & Rider advise of their being left ashore in order to be sent with the Honble. Companys Wine the next year.

Suncha Ramah &ct. Renters of Trivitore &ct. five New Villages pay in Pags. 1200 for one years rent thereof (According to order of Consultation of the 14th. Inst.) ending the 17th. October 1720.

Poncala Kisna &ct. Farmers of the Paddy Feilds pay in Pags. 710 for one years rent ending the 16th. January last.

ORDER'D that twenty thousand Pagodas be sent to Fort St. David under Charge of Forty Peons as a supply for their Cash.

Capt. William Warden Commandr. of the Honble. Company's Ship King George delivers in a paper (as entred hereafter) requesting the Accustomary Kentilage & promising to carry his Iron Kentilage on the Owners Accot.

AGREED that his request be granted & that the Warehousekeeper do send aboard the King George Salt Petre sufficient for that purpose.

The Secretary reports to the Board that he has discover'd an Error in the Cash Accots. for the months of October and November 1720, in the former there is said to be recd. of the Land Customer Pagodas 475. 5. 6 in full of the Ballance of his Accot. for the preceeding month which should be 495. 9. 6, the difference is 20. 4. —. In the latter [69103. 24. 24] said to be the Amount of the debt side instead of Pags. 69104 24. 24, the difference is one Pagoda both which Sums are paid in and duely brought to Accot. in the Cash for this month.

The President acquaints the Board that he had lately recd. by Capt. Irving in the Dover two Letters one from Pangeran Ducky Duckam & the other from Dautu Amass, at Bencoolen directed to himself. There being no Person here capable of translating ym. he had sent them to Porto Novo where by the Help of some Atcheeners he had got them done. The Translates of which he now delivers in (as entred after this Consultation) the Consideration of which is deferrd till the arrivall of the George Brigantine from ye. Bay.

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The Steward delivers in a report of the remain^{s}. live Provisions formerly design'd for the West Coast which he is order'd to dispose off as soon as possible at y^{e}. Choultry.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 4TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOVERN^{R}.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month, Ballance remaining Pag^{s}. 60561. 1. 79.

Joshua Draper Rentall Generall & Scavinger pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 115 On the following Acco^{ts}. Viz.

Six month's rent of the Company's Old Garden	75	—	—
One years rent of Maria Pois's Garden	40	—	—
Pag^{s}. ...	115	—	—

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays in Pag^{s}. 333. 12 for last month's Rent.

GENERALL LETTERS READ VIZ.

From the President & Council of Bombay dated the 8th. July last.

From the Commission Officers at Anjengo dated the 3^{d}. August.

From M^{r}. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 15th. August read, to inclose his Acco^{ts}. for the preceeding month.

And to the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. David of this days date.

Thomas Cooke Warehousek^{r}. delivers in a report of the Pepper rec^{d}. by the King George whereby it appears there is a deficiency of sev^{ll}. Tons, upon which the Supra Cargoes were calld in and order'd to give th[eir] answer thereto the next Consultation, the said report is enterd hereafter.

The Warehousekeep^{r}. also delivers in an Acco^{t}. of the deficiency in the Monmouth's Invoice from Europe as entred hereafter.

AGREED that we advise our hon^{ble}. Masters thereof in our next Letter. The King George hav^{s}. been survey'd & found in good Condition ORDER'D that She be forthwith dispatch'd to Engl^{d}. The President delivers to the Board 2 Letters from the President & Council of Pulicat being in answer to what he wrote concerning the

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Sailors who ran away from the Monmouth & went there, They [be^{g}.] brought before the Board in the presence of the Capt. and the Sev^{ll}. Officers of the Ship & examind, confess[ed] the Fact & complain'd that the ill usage they had met with from the Boatswain inducd them to it.

ORDER'D that they be severely whipt at the Gates of this Garrison and at the side of every Europe Ship in the Road.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
[*Lacuna*].
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRA: HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

Having rec^{d}. ashoar all the Pepper from the King George, upon weighing the same I find it come short of the Invoice & Bill of Lading as follows, viz.:

The whole quantity of Pepper invoiced from Benjar is:

Pecull. Cat.				tons.	cwt.	lb.
1584 88 at 16 cwt. to the ton is				116	11	99
Deduct 6 per cent short weight as per the Supra Cargoes answer to our Accomptants Report Pecull. 95 Cat. 9:	Tons.	cwt.	lb.			
	7	—	7			
Loss in garbling as per d°.	4	11	92	11	11	99

According to which there should remain Neat Pepper as per Bill of Lading Tons 105.

The Pepper is very foul and ill garbled and comes out short of the weight aforesaid, the whole quantity receiv'd on shoar (which has been weigh'd in the presence of Capt. Warden's Officer) being no more then Candy. 342 md. 1 lb. 3 which, at 16 cwt. to the Ton, is 95 7 4
and is short of the Bill of Lading ... ... Tons 9 8 108

I am HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
Your obedient humble Servant
THOMAS COOKE.

FORT ST. GEORGE
SEPT^{R}. 4TH, 1721.

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To the Honble. Fra: Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Having recd. ashore such part of the Monmouth's Cargo as falls under my Charge I find the following deficiency:

				Pag.	fa.	ca.
The lead comes out right in tale but short in weight c. 4 qr. 1 lb. 24 at s. 13 d. 9 per cwt. is £3 s. 1 d. 4½ and at s. 9 per pagoda is				6	29	40
In Chest No. 1 containing Telescopes and spectacles is wanting of what charg'd in the Invoice, Vizt.:						
Doz.		£.	s.			
1	Silver Nose spectacles	1	2			
6	Stain'd Horn	2	19			
4	Fish Skin	2	4			
11	Dozen	6	5			
	at nine shillings per Pagoda			13	32	—
			Pags.	20	25	40

which with your Honr. &cas. leave I shall recharge it to Profit & Loss & Accot. Curr t. London.

I am Honble. Sr. &ca.

Fort St. George
Septr. the 4th. 1721.

Your obedt. humble Servant
Thomas Cooke.

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 7th Instant to acknowledge the receipt of the 20,000 Pagodas sent them overland.

Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 19th Ulto. to advise of the arrivall of the Francis with the Treasure sent by her.

Dispatch'd per Tappys a Genll. Letter to the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 4th Instant.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 11th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Governour.
Richd. Horden. Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Capt. Thomas Gilbert Commandr. of the honble. Company's Ship Chandos delivers in a Paper (as entred hereafter) requesting that he may be advanc'd four hundred Pagodas as part of the money allow'd by Charterparty to be taken up in India.

Agreed that his Request be granted and that Bombay Presidency be debted for the Same.

Generall Letters read Viz.

From the Deputy Governr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 7th. Inst. to acknowledge the receipt of the twenty thousand Pagodas sent them the 30th. Ulto.

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From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 19th. Ulto. to advise of the arrivall of the Francis with the Treasure sent by her.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort St. David Merchants Accots. & the Metchlepatam Cash Accots. for July are right.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
[*Lacuna*].
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRA : HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

Having occasion for money to supply the necessitys of my Ship I beg the favour of your Honr. &ct. Council to supply me with four hundred Pagodas. I am sensible as I was not consign'd to this Port from England your Honr. & Council are not undr. any obligation to assist me but hope as my Ship is belonging to the Honble. Company you will grant my request. I am

HONBLE SR. & SRS.

SEPR. 11TH. 1721. Your most Humble. Servant

THOMAS GILBERT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 19TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDLL. FOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that Accot. for last month, Ballance due from him rupees 1011 & Pags. 31. 32. 60, the former he delivers to the Import Warehousekr. & the latter is paid into Cash.

The Accomptant reports that the Vizagapm. Cash Accots. for the last six months are right.

Richard Benyon Land Customer his Accot. for last month read, Viz.

Choultry Customs	442	29	2
Ruby Brokerage	35	29	56
Registring Slaves	—	16	—
	479	2	58

Ballance due from him Pags. 460. 1. 58 & he pays in 139. 30. 18 in full for 27 months rent of the Town Conicoply duty ending the 31st. July last.

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Messrs. English and Tempest Supra Carg^s^. of Ship King George deliver in their answer to the Warehousekeepers report, upon which the Capt. was call'd & it being read before him he was order'd to give an answer thereto the next Consultation.

The last Will and Testament of John Acton was this day produc'd and read Wittness'd by Joshua Bayes, Thomas Blackall & Richard English who being all call'd in and sworn did upon their oaths declare that they saw the Testator sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament, that they sign'd as Wittnesses in the presence of each other & the Testator and that he was to all appearance of sound mind and memory, the said Will is enter'd hereafter.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymast^r^. be advanc'd three thousand Pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r^. George Tullie Attorney of the Widow Gyfford delivers to the Board a parcell of Books belong^g^. to the Factory of Anjengo, wch. She bro^t^. with her when She came from that Place.

ORDER'D that they be sent upon the Chandos now bound thither and the List be enterd after this Consultation.

Gen^ll^. Letter from the President and Council of Bombay dated the 14th. July read, relating to y^e^. dispute between the Agent of Persia and the Supra Cargoes of the Shawallum, thereupon Messrs. Bourcheir & Foxleys vindication was deliverd in by the President which he rec^d^. of them the night before they went for Bengall.

ORDER'D that it do ly upon the Board to be perused at leisure.

AGREED that the freight Treasure that came upon the King George from Surat be sent aboard the Monmouth according to the Proprietors desire.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
JOSHUA DRAPER.

In the name of God Amen I John Acton of Fort St. George in East India Merchant being of sound and perfect mind and memory but weak in body do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

Imprimis. I recommend my Soul to God who gave it hoping thrô the merits of a Crucify'd Saviour to obtain a joyfull resurrection and my body I commit to the earth decently to be interr'd and for all such worldly effects as wherewith it has pleas'd God to bless me with I give and bequeath the same as follows, viz.:

Imprimis. I will that all my just debts and Funerall Charges be first paid.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved friend Mr. John Boult three Pagodas for a ring which I desire he will keep for my sake, Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Chum M^r^. Thomas Willford three Pagodas for a ring as also a book called the History of the Bible. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Friend & Countryman George Beel three Pagodas for a ring as also my silver spoon which I desire he will keep for my sake and I do also make and ordain my beloved Friends Messrs. Thomas Willford and George Beel Executors in trust of this my last Will and Testament. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved friend Dr. Munro three Pagodas for a ring and I desire my said Executors Thomas Willford and George Beel as soon as they have rec^d^. my effects here to pay the amount into the Honble. Company's Cash taking bills for the same payable to my dearly beloved Brother Michael Acton Merchant at Blackwell Hall, London, whom I make my whole and sole Executor for the remainder and residue of my effects which when he has rec^d^. I desire he will

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divide it amongst my dearly beloved Brothers and sisters in rings &c[a]. as tokens of my love whether the same my effects be reall or personall of what quality and quantity soever hereby revoking all former Wills heretofore by me made and do allow this and no other for my last Will and Testament. In Witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Fort St. George this 16th day of August in the year of our Lord 1721.

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd & Declar'd by the said Testator to be his last Will & Testament (where no stamp't paper is to be had) in the presence of us

JOHN ACTON (Loco sig.)

JOSHUA BAYES.
THOMAS BLACKALL.
RICHARD ENGLISH.

A LIST OF BOOKS DELIVER'D BY GEORGE TULLIE UNTO THE HON[BLE]. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R]. &C[A]. COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION THE 18TH OF SEPTEMBER 1721.

Anjengo Leidger 2. commencing Aug[st]. 1st 1717 & clos'd July 31st 1718.

Anjengo Journall R. commencing August 1st 1718 & clos'd July 31, 1719.

Ditto Leidger R. commencing August 1, 1718 & clos'd July 31st 1719.

Anjengo Journall S commencing August 1, 1719 & clos'd July 31, 1720.

D[o]. Leidger S commencing & ending the same as the Journall.

Anjengo Journall T commencing August 1, 1720 & carry'd on to the 31st of December following.

Anjengo Generall Charges commencing 1st August 1718 ending July 31st 1719.

Ditto commencing August 1st 1719 ending July 31st 1720.

Ditto commencing August 1720 ending January 1720-1.

With a Bombay Invoice of Treasure & Merchandize sent to Anjengo Dec[r]. 8th 1720 to the amount of rupees 89,000.

As likewise five Cajans endorsed . viz.:

Two Poolas receipt for 4000 fanams July 18th 1717.

The head of Vanga Mutta's rec[t]. for 1000 fan. Acco[t]. Custom 8th Feb. 1717.

Queen Ola's for 50 fanams July 16th 1717.

Cunge Errema Poola Ola for 17,000 fanams Acco[t]. Customs July 18th 1717.

The two Poola's Ola sent for 4,000 fanams July 18th 1717 Acco[t]. Cust[s].

Likewise an Acco[t]. Presents given the Queen of Attinga.

Memorandum. There are two Copys of the Journall Letter R. & the Charges Generall commencing August 1st 1719 and ending July 31st 1720.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRA: HASTINGS ESQ[R].
GOVERN[R]. & PRESID[T]. &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

Your Hon[r] &c[a]. Council having deliver'd us a Report dated the 4th of September 1721 setting forth the ill garbling of the pepper brought from Benjar upon the King George and that there is a deficiency in the weight of said Pepper. As to the garblage we beg leave to assure your Hon[r]. &c[a]. that we took all the care possible and saw that it was well garbled. But the Pepper was shifted from one hold to the

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other while we were on board how it has been manag'd since for three months past, we are ignorant, But we refer it to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. better judgment that the often shifting of Pepper will occasion dust and Loss, as for the short weight we presume to think we are no respect answerable for it having long since deliver'd up the Invoice and Bill of Lading for said Pepper with other Papers relating to our Voyage so we hope your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will be referr'd to the Partys concern'd in the management of said Pepper since we deliver'd up our Papers &c^a^.

We are

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Your most obed^t^. Servants

Fort St. George
Septr. 13, 1721

Charles English.
George Tempest.

Ship Trepolore Trevangadum Owner sail'd to Pegu. 19

Brigantine George (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. William Crossing arriv'd from Bengall by whom rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from the Presid^t^. & Council of Fort William dated the 19th August. 20

Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from Mr. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 2d. instant. ,,

Ship Eli (belonging to the King of Pegu) sail'd to Pegu. ,,

Ship Munchu Capt. John Dobre sail'd to Pegu. ,,

Ship Nabee Madut Noore Mahomud sail'd to Pegu. 21

Sloop Margery Capt. Basil Jordan arr^d^. from Bengall. 22

Ship Chandos Capt. Thomas Gilbert Commander sail'd to Bombay. ,,

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 25th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govern^r^.
Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke. Rand^ll^. Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousek^r^. his Acco^t^. for last month read, Ballance due to him Pag^s^. 2793. 34. 19 which is orderd to be paid him.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^t^. for last month Ballance due from him Pag^s^. 11284. 25. 73 whereof he pays in 3000.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads his Acco^t^. for last month, Viz.

Custom on Goods Exported and Imported	Pag^s^.	982	1	46
Do. on Grain		55	—	8
Anchorage		53	—	—
	Pag^s^.	1090	1	54

Ballance due from him 8712. 13. 34 (Pa. fa. ca.) whereof he pays in Pag^s^. 2522. 2. 20 being the Ballance of the Acco^t^. to the time of M^r^. Wright's having acted as Receiver.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in 460. 1. 58 being the Ballance of his last months Acco^t^.

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The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells for the month of July.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster his Acco^{t}. for last month read Viz.

Charges Garrison		1947	4	35
Charges Generall		994	17	25
Triplicane Bridge		789	16	70
Charges Cattle		155	2	55
Repairs of Fortifications		179	15	70
Charges Diet		563	1	70
Diet & Stores laid in		605	6	30
Charges extraordinary		14	16	70
Bombay Presidency		50	—	—
	Pag^{s}.	5298	9	55

Ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 2298. 9. 55 which is order'd to be paid him.

John Emmerson Storekeep^{r}. his Acco^{t}. for last month read. Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 4098. 18. 60 whereof he pays in 2000.

ORDERD that 300 Pag^{s}. be sent M^{r}. Humphry Holcombe as a Supply for his Cash.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays in 583. 12 for last month's rent of that Farm.

Anchonah Town Broker pays in 400 for the last six months ending 30th. June.

M^{r}. Thomas Way pays in Pagodas 200, Acco^{t}. Capt. Edward Orrill for Bills of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to M^{rs}. Grace Orrill or ord^{r}.

Joshua Draper Sec^{ry}. pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 44. 16. for Thomas Chapman's discharge from the Military Service.

Capt. William Warden delivers in his answer to the Paper laid before the Board the last Consultation by the Supra Cargoes concerning y^{e}. Pepper aboard his Ship which being read is Order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

GEN^{LL}. LETTERS READ, VIZ.

From the President & Council of Fort William dat^{d}. the 19th. Augst. ℘ George Brigantine to inclose Invoice & Bill of Lading for Sundry Wares and Stores put aboard her and the Acco^{t}. of her Expences.

From M^{r}. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlep^{m}. dated the 2^{d}. Sepr. to forward his Month's Acco^{ts}. which are deliverd to the Accomptant.

The Honble. Court of Directors having in their Letter ℘ the Monmouth, orderd the Estate of M^{r}. Pedro Pereira Dec^{d}. to be paid into Cash, and there being some effects of his remaining in the hands of the Minister and Churchwardens unsold

ORDER'D that they dispose of them as soon as possible and that they pay the whole amount of his Estate into Cash accordingly.

There being six months salary due to the Honble. Companys Covenanted Servants

ORDER'D that the Accomptant prepare an Acco^{t}. thereof against next Consultation.

The Warehousek^{r}. acquaints the Board that having perused the Honble. Company's orders in their Lett^{r}. ℘ the Monmouth relating to the Madeira Wine, he finds that Paragraph grounded on a mistake and assures the Board that Leakage and other damages were and have always been consider'd and allow'd and the price calculated accordingly.

ORDER'D that it be disposed of as usuall.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
[*Lacuna*].
RAND: FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
JOSHUA DRAPER.

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TO THE HONBLE. FRA: HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

Your Honr. &ca. having order'd me to reply to the Paper deliver'd in by the Supra Cargoes last Consultation, I shall begin with the first part of it in which they are pleas'd to tell your Honr. &ca. that they saw the Pepper well garbled, which I am oblig'd to deny for I very well remember most of the Pepper was sent aboard while they were up at the Factory. I can assure your Honr. &ca. that I used my utmost endeavours to get it well done and often let our Supra Cargoes know that the Pepper was mouldy and in great Lumps but their answer was it was the best they could get and I must take it aboard.

As to the shifting it from one Hold to the other I was oblig'd to it in order to make way for our Provisions, Water Casks & Cables & to fit my ship for the sea which was not done till they acquainted me they could procure no more Lading for me at that Port. I leave the whole to your Honr. &cas. serious consideration and am

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

Your most Obedt. humble Servant

SEPTR. 25TH. 1721. WILLIAM WARDEN.

Ship Coventry Capt. Isaac Willison arrd. from Bengall. 26

Sloop Ramah Hendrick Johnson arrd. from Fort St. David. 27

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 28TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

The President represents to the Board that having waited a long time for advices from the West Coast concerning the posture of the Honble. Company's Affairs in that Part & Having recd. none from Mr. Pyke & Council since the arrivall of the George Brigantine from thence in January last, he suspects their design is to keep us in the dark thereby to cover some fraudulent purposes, That our honble. Masters having advis'd us of their sending their Ships Addison, Dartmouth and Good Fellow to supply them with Soldiers, Ammunition and Stores for the resetling Fort Marlbrô, that after the delivery of that Supply, the Addison was to be dispatch'd for Bengall and ye. Dartmo. and Good Fellow for this Place, the two former to be sent to England & the latter to remain in the Country. The President adds that he has been ascertain'd by the Dover of the Dartmouths and Good Fellow's arrivall at Bencoolen, that the Metchlepatam and Young Derby are still remaining upon their hands and that besides those five Ships (the Addison being in all probability arrived there also) there is the Perry Brigantine belonging to Mr. Pyke and althô its utterly impracticable to employ all those Vessells upon the West Coast yet they have not thought fit to dispatch one of them hither to give us advice of their proceedings, the President therefore proposes to the Board the sending the George Brigant. thither with all convenient Speed, and on her a Supra Visor & Council with other necessary Persons to examine into the management of Mr. Pyke and his Council & to report the Same to this Board.

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The President's Representation being very maturely consider'd and his Propositions approvd and agreed to for the reasons by him given, the Board resolvd to put them in execution as soon as possible and thought proper to defer the choice of a Supravisor till the next Consultation.

The President further represents to the Board that to morrow being the 29th. September wch. is the day appointed for the Election of a new Mayor, he judges it proper to lay before the Board an ill convenience which he has been inform'd did arise from the present method of choosing the Mayor and Aldermen the last and former years, which is as follows. The manner of electing the Aldermen is by writing down the Candidates names upon ye. side of a Sheet of Paper with a Black Line drawn from each of those names to the other side and thereupon every Burgess makes a cross Line or small Stroke upon the long line which is drawn from the names of those Candidates for whom he is inclin'd to vote, and the one half of those Candidates who appear to have the greatest number of cross Lines or Strokes are esteemd to have ye. majority of Votes and are accordingly elected Aldermen. Now the ill convenience that arises from that method appears to be this, the Attorneys and servants who attend the Court always carry the voting Paper abovemention'd round to the Burgesses as they are seated; severall of those Burgesses are of the French, Portugueeze and other foreign Nations & not understandg. who the Candidates are for want of being able to read the English Language are consequently ignorant whom to give their voices for or whose names to affix a Dash to and so have frequently been known to be altogether influenc'd and directed by the Attorneys and Officers of ye. Court attending upon them to vote for such of the Candidates as they were mostly affected to. The Voting Paper aforementioned is generally observ'd to be carry'd round in a very great hurry in so much that People have hardly time to think of what they are going about, and this is thot. to be done with a design to put People into confusion and to cover an Artifice which some of the Attorneys are said to have been guilty of in giving five or ten dashes to the names of any Candidates in whom they are particularly interested.

The manner of Electing the Mayor is as follows.

The Attorneys and officers attending the Court do carry round to the Burgesses a parcell of little Slips or bits of Blank Paper and thereupon each Person is to write down the name of such one of the Aldermen as he is most inclin'd to have chosen Mayor: those Slips of Paper are afterwards examin'd and any one of the Aldermen who appears to have the most of them with his name inscrib'd thereon is thereby chosen Mayor, Now the ill Convenience that attends this method is as follows. The Officers attending the Court have here a greater Latitude for fraudulent practices than in the choice of Aldermen having it in their power to Slide in a number of little Papers with votes already writen upon them in favour of any one of ye. Aldermen to whom they are more particularly affected; This is supposed by some People to have been done the last year in favour of Mr. Benyon and is well known by Mr. Thomas Cooke to have been practic'd some years ago by Messrs. Josiah Cooke and Abell Langelier in favour of himself althô without his previous knowledge or Consent. It is alledg'd by Mr. Michael Willson one of the Attorneys of ye. Court at present that Mr. John Laurence his Predecessor now decd. did at the last Election of Mayor make use of some Clandestine practices of this kind in favour of Mr. Benyon and actually wrote down for above twenty of the Burgesses who were of the French and Portugueeze Nation his name as electing him for Mayor and by that means procur'd him such a number of Votes which carry'd the Election in his favour.

The President therefore to prevent the like fraudulent practices proposes to the Board that the method of Polling which is open, fair and just should be made use of for the future at the Mayors Court in their Election of a New Mayor and Aldermen.

Hereupon arose a debate but the Presidents representation together with the many reasons given by him in favour of the Same being very deliberately weigh'd & Consider'd they were entirely approv'd. Accordingly it was Agreed and Resolv'd

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that the Presidents proposition should be put in execution with respect to the method of Polling to be used in the Mayor's Court, and that the Secretary should deliver to their Register the following order in writing signd by himself.

ORDERED that the method of Polling be used for the future by the Burgesses in the Mayors Court at the Election of their Mayor & Aldermen.

M^r^. Benyon thereupon dissented to the method of Polling alledging it would influence the Election, but it is to be noted that he acquainted the Govr. yesterday he intended to stand for Mayor the ensuing year also.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
[*Lacuna*].
RAND: FFOWKE *dos not Remember M^r^. Mich^l^. Wilson was present.*
[*Lacuna*].
JOSHUA DRAPER.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOVERNOUR. — MONDAY THE 2^D^.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

M^r^. Joshua Draper Secretary acquaints the Board that pursuant to order of last Consultation he deliverd to the register of the Mayor's Court the order we had made for them to proceed to the election of a New Mayor and Aldermen by the method of polling but that being present there as a Burgess he found they did not comply with that order.

M^r^. Richard Horden then acquainted the Board that being present also at the Mayors Court that day as a Burgess, he observ'd (as the Sec^ry^. before represented) that the Bench did not comply with our order for polling, nor proceed to any election, either of Aldermen or Mayor, by any method whatsoever; althô they had a great deal of seeming debate amongst themselves concern^g^. the matter, But came to no direct determination: that M^r^. Richard Benyon (then Mayor) ask'd him, if he appeard at the Court as a Burgess, or not, and that he reply'd, he was summon'd there as such, and did appear in that manner; But that if he had any affairs to discourse with him upon in any other Capacity, he would retire to the Fort, where he was substituted by the hon^ble^. Govr. to act in his Character for that day, he being so extreamly ill as not to be able to attend in Town to perform all the ceremonialls, usually pass'd upon the Choice of a new Mayor. M^r^. Horden proceeded to say, the Bench then made some demurr, and soon after M^r^. Benyon made the following speech to the Burgesses, which being compard with what is enter'd upon the Court Register (now produc'd) appears to be Authentick.

"WHEREAS it does not appear by the Charter that the President or the President "& Council of Fort S^t^. George have power or Liberty to alter any of the Customs of "this Court or Corporation in their method of Elections and the method of Polling "being contrary to all usage and Custom since the grant of the Charter which Custom "and usage I am of opinion is a Law of prescription wch. to break into may be "attended with many ill Consequences and as I think it also a breach and Violation "of my oath to introduce any innovations, I therefore am of opinion the said order

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" cannot be comply'd with by me while I am under the tye of my present oath all " wch. circumstances being Consider'd and because I would not act contrary to any " ord^{r}. of Government, I have no method left but to deliver up the Charter.

M^{r}. Horden adds, that when M^{r}. Benyon had clos'd y^{e}. foregoing speech, he made a motion to deliver up the Charter to him in the Town Hall, but that he refus'd to accept it there, alledging he was no more than a Burgess in the Court; but that he would immediately go to the Fort (if he desir'd it) and receive the Charter from him there, Provided he would engage for himself and the whole Bench, that the Court should not be adjourn'd till another Mayor was appointed in the room of him, It being not at all proper that the city should be left destitute of a Person to act in that office. M^{r}. Horden proceeded to say, that finding M^{r}. Benyon give him no direct answer to such his Proposall and that he still insisted on flinging up the Charter in the open Court and offer'd to quit the Bench, he acquainted him and the rest of the Aldermen that since they would not choose a Mayor for themselves, there was one Already chosen for them; and thereupon produc'd the following order which he deliver'd to the Bench.

TO THE WORSP^{LL}. THE MAYOR & ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MADRASS FOR THE TIME BEING.

GENTLEMEN

"By Virtue of the power deriv'd to us from the Honble. Company in " your Charter, we do here[by] constitute and appoint M^{r}. Joshua Draper to be " Mayor of this Corporation in as full and ample manner as if he had been elected by " the Choice of Burgesses.

" Given under our hands and the Seal of the Honble. Company in Fort S^{t}. George " this 28th. Sepr. 1721.

FRA: HASTINGS,
Govr.

RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.

Mr. Horden further says.

M^{r}. Horden proceeded to say, that upon y^{e}. foregoing order being publickly read in the Court, as well as that par[t] of the Charter whereto it pointed, M^{r}. Benyon acquainted him he was sorry that power was not sooner produc'd, because it would have sav'd him a great deal of trouble to which he reply'd that power was lodg'd with him to be deliver'd, only in case their Proceedings should be such, as he then found them.

Mr. Joshua Draper proceeds to acquaint the Board of what passed in Court after his taking possession of the Chair.

M^{r}. Joshua Draper (the new Mayor) then made his Acknowledgments to the hon^{ble}. Govern^{r}. & Messrs. Horden, Cooke and Fowke for the honour they had done him in appointing him to that office, and proceeded to acquaint the Board, that by virtue of the aforementioned power he immediately took possession of the Chair, That thereupon M^{r}. Benyon offer'd to leave y^{e}. Bench, that being ask'd to tender the Accustomary oath to him he absolutely refus'd to do it, and went out of the Court in a very abrupt manner follow'd by M^{r}. George Sitwell (one of the Aldermen) and about one fifth part of the Burgesses; M^{r}. Draper added that he was then sworn by M^{r}. Thomas Way (the next Alderman in Course) and immediately proceeded to the Election of three Aldermen to supply the three vacancys at the Bench by the method of Polling (conformable to our ord^{r}.) which M^{r}. Benyon would not comply with; after which he made the following speech to the Court.

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Gentlemen

"I am sorry that I could not be introduc'd to the Office of Mayor of this "Corporation in the regular way of Election, since it was y^{e}. desire of the hon^{ble}. "Governour, and severall of the Gentlemen (here present) that I should undertake "it, & I should then have been satisfy'd, that it was your inclination also, but as "I have nothing to condemn you in, for the Obstruction which I have met with in "that respect, I shall proceed to the execution of the Trust reposed in me, and "endeavour to discharge it with so much justice, and integrity as I hope will "make you as well satisfy'd with the Honble. Govr. & 3 of the Council's choice, as if "it was your own; and I do assure you, y^{t}. if I was convinc'd of the Contrary, "I would immediate[ly] resign my Post, thô given me by a superiour power.

Mr. Draper's speech to the Burgesses.

The President then demanded of M^{r}. Richard Benyon his reasons for not obeying the order of this Board with respect to Polling; to which he reply'd that he had express'd them fully in the speech which he made to the Burgesses (as enter'd in the former part of this Consultation), whereupon he was order'd to withdraw, that the matter might be debated: the Charter of the Mayor's Court was then produc'd and severall Clauses in it read, by which it fully appear'd, that the President and three of the Council of this Place have full power to place, or displace any Mayor, Alderman, Register, or other officers, belonging to that Court, & to prescribe Laws and by Laws to them, whereby both we, [&] they are undoubtedly to understand such rules, orders, methods and regulations, as we shall think fit to make for their better guidance; the Book of the Honble. Companys orders was then produc'd to the Board, and the following Paragraphs against disobedience &c^{a}. read.

The President demands Mr. Benyon's reasons for not complying with the order for polling, and is ordered to withdraw while the matter is debated.

"If there be any Persons among you [that] shall not comply with our orders "we do authorize you to send them home for England for we have found it prejudi-"ciall to our affairs to have Persons dispute our orders given immediately by our "selves or such as shall by our power receive them from you & therefore [are] "resolv'd for the future, that thô we shall take a strict Acco^{t}. of the proceedings of "our President, Agent[s], Cheifs & Councils, yet we shall not suffer any particular "Person to oppose our, or their orders; nor any Cheif, or Factor, to dispute ours, and "the order's of our Agent & Council, for that it is inconsistent with orderly "Government, or the well carrying on of our trade.

Paragraph against disobedience read.

"We do order that when any Person has cause to complain against any other, he "do exhibit it to the Cheif & Council of that Place; and if it be against any Cheif, "and Councill, that then it be sent to our Agent & Council at the Fort, with the "matter Charg'd, that Wittnesses may be examin'd thereupon, and the Party to make "his defence; and if they be found guilty, to be proceeded against according to our "rules, and the whole Proceedings sent us, and the like if it be against any of the "Cou[ncil] at the Fort; and in all such cases during the examination the Party "Concerned not to sit in Council; but if any Charge be against the Agent, that it "be exhibited also to the Council, and examin'd, and copy[s] thereof sent us with the "whole proceedings thereupon; that we may give you necessary orders therein, "and that such Complaints & Accusations may not be stifled, let the Person so "Complaining send us a Copy of their Complaint so exhibited."

A Paragraph ordering that the Person agt. whom the complaint is exhibited, shall not sit at the Board during the examination thereof.

The Board then came to a resolution to send for M^{r}. Benyon before them, and acquaint him with what had pass'd: accordingly he was call'd in, and the whole of our debate made known to him: he then desir'd a Copy of his Charge might be deliverd him, in order to return an answer to it the next Consultation; which was granted, and the determination of this affair deferr'd.

Mr. Benyon sent for in & acquainted with what had passed, who desires a copy of his charge, which was granted.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays in Pag^{s}. 333. 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

Pag^{s}. 333 : 12 paid in by the Arrack Farmer.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Company's Cash for last month, Ballance remaining Pag^{s}. 61598. 29 fa. 1 Ca.

Cash Acco^{t}. for Septr. read.

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The Salarsy Warrant produced, & ordered to be paid.

The Accomptant (According to order of last Consultation) produces the Salary Warrant as entred hereafter, Amounting to Pag^s. 1796. 23. 54.

ORDER'D that the same be paid.

Pags. f. ca. 7143 6 59 paid in by Mr. Cooke for Bills of exchange.

M^r. Thomas Cooke offering to pay into Cash Pag^s. 7143. 6. 59 for Bills of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to John Freeman of Fawley Court Esqr. the same were accepted and the Bills sign'd accordingly.

Mr. Turner chose supravisor & ordered to get himself in a readiness to go as soon as possible.

The Choice of a Supravisor for the West Coast having been deferr'd the last Consultation till this day the President proposes M^r. Nathaniel Turner as a proper Person to be sent thither on that occasion who accordingly accepted the same and he was thereupon order'd to get himself in a readiness to go away with all expedition and to have a Commission drawn out for him conformable to the Orders of the Honble. Comp^a. last rec^d. relating to such powers to be given.

Mr. Draper having besides the severall Employments the office of Mayor, the Board think fit to ease him of one, & thereupon order

M^r. Joshua Draper Sec^ry. having now besides the Offices of Scavinger and Receiver, the Additionall business of Mayor of this Corporation upon his hands, the Board cannot but think it proper to give him some relief with respect to one of those employments and as he only undertook the Office of Sec^ry. upon M^r. Wright's departure in order to officiate in it till we could procure a proper Person to supply his Place which upon our proposition he is willing to relinquish.

that Mr. Walsh be constituted Secretary.

ORDER'D that M^r. Joseph Walsh be constituted Secretary and that he do enter upon the Business of that Office forthwith.

Messrs. Burton, Willford, Beel, & Blackall desiring to go to the West Coast,

Messrs. Augustus Burton, Thomas Willford, George Beel and Thomas Blackall being desirous of going to the West Coast along with the Supravisor,

the three former appointed of Council & the latter Secretary.

ORDER'D that the three former be appointed of Council in the degrees as nam'd and that M^r. Thomas Blackall do go thither as Secretary.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
[*Lacuna*].
RAND: FFOWKE.
[*Lacuna*].
JOSHUA DRAPER.

ACCOUNT SALARY DUE TO THE HON^BLE. COMPANY'S COVENANTED SERVANTS FROM THE 25TH. MARCH TO THE 25TH. SEPT. IS 6 MOS. VIZ.

	per ann^m.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Pag^s.	fa.	ca.
The Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Governour	200	100	—	—						
Gratuity	100	50	—	—						
					150	—	—	333	12	—
Richard Horden Esqr. 2^d. & Accomptant	100	...			50	—	—	111	4	—
M^r. Thomas Cooke 3^d.	70	...			35	—	—	77	28	—
M^r. Randall Fowke 4th.	50	...			25	—	—	55	20	—
M^r. Nathan^ll. Turner 5th.	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. Rich^d. Benyon 6th.	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. John Emmerson 7th.	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. Joshua Draper 8th.	40	20	—	—						
Gratuity as Sec^ry. 2mo. 12 ^da.	10	2	—	—						
					22	—	—	48	32	—
M^r. Thomas Wright 9th. from the 25th. Mar. to the 19th. July is 3mo. 18da. ...	40	12	—	—						
Gratuity as Sec^ry. for that time	10	3	—	—						
					15	—	—	33	12	—
M^r. Thomas Faucett Senior Merch^t.	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. Edward Croke	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. Thomas Willford	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. Augustus Burton	40	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
M^r. James Hubbard Junr. Merch^t.	30	15	—	—						
Gratuity as Sub Accomptant 1 year	45	45	—	—						
					60	—	—	133	12	—
M^r. George Tullie	30	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
M^r. John Lauder Writer to the 31st. July	5	1	14	8						
Factor from D^o.	10	2	5	10						
					4	—	6	8	34	—
M^r. Sands Davis Writer to the 14th. Aug^t.	5	1	18	7						
Factor from D^o.	10	1	14	2						
					3	12	9	8	3	—
M^r. Thomas Pennyman Writer & Factor Ditto	...	...			3	12	9	8	3	—
M^r. John Fullagar Writer & Factor Ditto	...	...			3	12	9	8	3	—
M^r. Thomas Dunster Writer & Factor Ditto	...	...			3	12	9	8	3	—
M^r. Charles Fleetwood Writer	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Paul Foxley D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. John Russon D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Joshua Bayes D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Matthew Empson D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Abraham Wessell D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Nicolas Morse D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Richard English D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Charles Peers D^o.	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M^r. Charles Gee Writer from the 31st. July	5	...			—	15	3	1	25	—

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	per ann^{m}.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Pag^{s}.	fa.	ca.
M^{r}. Joseph Goldfinch [Writer from the 31st. July]	5	...			—	15	3	1	25	—
M^{r}. Philip Tullie D^{o}.	5	...			—	15	3	1	25	—
The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Wendey Minister	100	...			50	—	—	111	4	—
M^{r}. Catesby Oadham Essay Master	80	...			40	—	—	88	32	—
Duncan Munro Surgeon	36	...			18	—	—	40	—	—
Andrew Pecheir D^{o}.	36	...			18	—	—	40	—	—
					681	7	3	1514	5	—

THE HON^{BLE}. COMPANY'S COVENANTED SERVANTS BELONGING TO THE WEST COAST.

	per ann^{m}.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Pag^{s}.	fa.	ca.
M^{r}. Stephen Newcome Junior Merch^{t}.	30	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
M^{r}. Joseph Walsh D^{o}.	30	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
M^{r}. John Clarke Factor	15	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. John Acton D^{o}. to Augst. 17th.	15	...			5	18	4	13	5	27
M^{r}. George Beel Factor	15	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M^{r}. Richard Carter D^{o}.	15	7	10	—						
Short paid him from 22^{d}. July 1719 to this day is 2y^{rs}. 2mo. 3da. @ ...	10	21	15	—						
					29	5	—	65	—	—
M^{r}. Claude Allen Temineau from 22^{d}. July 1719 to 25th. March 1720 is 8mo. 3da. @.	10	...			6	15	—	15	—	—
M^{r}. Robert Woolley from Augst. the 12th. 1720 to Jan^{ry}. 31st. 1720/1 is 5mo. 19da. short paid	10	...			4	13	10	10	15	27
M^{r}. Thomas Blackall Factor	15	7	10	—						
Short paid him fro^{m} 12th. Augst. 1720	10	11	3	10						
					18	13	10	41	19	26
M^{r}. John Boulte Factor	15	7	10	—						
Short p^{d}. him for 8mo. 6da.	10	6	16	8						
					14	6	8	31	30	54
M^{r}. Thomas Fenwick Writer	5	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
					£ 808	9	11	1796	23	54

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ERRORS EXCEPTED

PER RICHARD HORDEN

Accomptant.

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Ship Coventry, Capt. Isaac Willison, sail'd to Malacca.	OCTOBER 2
Brigantine Northampton, Giles Jermin, sail'd to the West Coast.	"
Sloop Ramah, Hendrick Johnson, sail'd to Fort S^t. David.	4
Ship Joseph Manoel D'Lebat arr^d. from Mosambique.	6
Ship Fancy, Capt. James Macrae sail'd for Bombay.	8
Brigantine Prosperous, Capt. John Fauke, arr^d. from Bengall.	9
Ships Heathcote & Marlbrô (belonging to the Honble. Company) arrived from Great Brittain, by whom received 2 Pacquets from the Honble. Court of Directors.	15

TRANSCRIBED
PER NIC. MORSE.
EXAMINED
PER CHARLES PEERS.

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The Consultation and Diary Book of Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President and Governour &ct. Council their Proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Coromandell &ct. begun the 15th. of October 1721.

15 Ships Heathcote and Marlbrô (belonging to the Honble. Company) arrived this afternoon from Great Brittain by whom recd. 2 Pacquets from the Honble. Court of Directors directed to the Honble. Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President & Govr. William Jennings, Nathll. Turner, Richard Benyon, Catesby Oadham, John Emmerson, Randall Fowke, James Hubbard & George Drake. All except Mr. Jennings immediately met in the Consultation Room in the Fort, where all the Companys Servants both civil and military and other Inhabitants were summon'd and on their appearance the Pacquet was opened and the Commission read to them after which they withdrew.

At a Consultation

Present

Sunday [15] [in] the Evening.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presidt. & Governr.

Nathanll. Turner.	Richard Benyon.	Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.	Randll. Fowke.	James Hubbard.
George Drake.		

Postcr[ipt of] a copy of the Monmos. Letter from the Honble. Court of Directors dated the 26th. Aprill 1721 was read. A Generall Letter by the Marlbrô dated the 26th. of Aprill read, and the Papers in the Pacquet being compar'd with the List were all found right.

The Secry. being ask't for the Cash [Book] in order to see the Ballance [*a few words lost*] clos'd to the end of last month but no entry of any receipts or disbursements made for this which leaves us in the dark as to what Ballance should be now remaining.

Order'd that Mr. Hubbard and the Secry. do seal up the Cash Chest and the door of the Silver Godown (it being too late to deliver the Cash or Silver in the Godown to night) and that the late Presidt. and Mr. Thomas Cooke be sent for in the morning to see them opened.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 16° 7 IN YE. MORNING.

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMS. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

An order to Capt. Richd. Mickles[field] and another [to Capt.] Joseph Tolson to send ashore all their Treasure were now sign'd, and Mr. Thomas Cooke being sent for pursuant to an order of yesterdays Consultation to see the Silver Godown opened and the treasure deliver'd, acquaints the Board [that] there is none at all in the Godown, he having sold the last 29 Chests by an order of Mr. Hastings since the Consultation of the 2d. Inst. at 14 Dollars ℔ 10 Pagodas which he intended to have reported the first Consultation that should have been held. He was ask't to pay in the produce of the Silver, but he answer'd he had not recd. it. The Board then told him that as he had sold it without any authority they look't upon him to be accountable for it, and demanded what security he could give for the pa[y]ment of it, In answer to which he desired time till the afternoon when he doubted not he should be able to give Security to our Satisfaction, he was then order'd to withdraw, and acquainted we should want him by and by.

Mr. Joshua Draper being dismiss'd the Honble. Company's Service and thereby incapable of being Mayor

ORDER'D that he do attend the Honble. Governour & Council to the Town Hall at ten of the Clock and deliver up the Charter.

ORDER'D that the two eldest Aldermen do Summon a Genll. Court to be held on Wednesday the 18th. for the free Election of a new Mayor.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

About ten a Clock this morning the Honble. Governr. & Council proceeded to the Town Hall where the Presidts. Commission was again read before all the Inhabitants and Mr. Draper deliver'd up the Charter agreeable to our ordr. in Consultation this morning.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 16°. ABOUT 11 A CLOCK IN YE. MORNING.

NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR.
NATHALL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDLL. FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

The President acquaints the Board that he sent to Mr. Hastings to desire to Speak wth. him upon the matter of his Cash Accot. Accordingly Mr. Hastings attended the Presidt. at the Fort where they had a private Conference in the Presidts. room the result thereof from Mr. Hastings was that he was deficient in the Cash Accot.

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but that he would in seven days time make it good and deliver in the Cash Acco^t^. with the Ballance, In the mean time he desired to reside at the Garden for his health and Conveniency and likewise desired leave to retire to the Mount till the next Ship sails for England after the departure of the King George on which he hopes to embarque.

M^r^. Thomas Cooke Import Warehousek^r^. was sent for to the Board and the money (for the 29 Chests of Silver which he say's he has lately dispos'd of for 14 Doll^rs^. ℔ 10 Pagodas), demanded of him: he answer'd he could not at present comply therewith but that in twenty days time he would make good the Amount of what the said 29 Chests sold for, upon which the Board insisted on Security till he has paid the money, he answer'd at present he had not any to offer but that he would go and get Security, accordingly he was acquainted we should meet again at four a Clock and that then we shall expect he brings it with him.

ORDER'D that M^r^. Joseph Houghton be constituted Secretary in the room of M^r^. Walsh it being more agreeable to the orders of the Hon'ble Court of Directors rec^d^. by Ship Heathcote, as M^r^. Houghton is much M^r^. Walsh's Senr. in the Service and recommended to fill up the first Vacancy in Council.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 16°. 4 A CLOCK.

NATHAN^LL^. ELWICK ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOVERNOUR.
NATH^LL^. TURNER. RICH^D^. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RAND^LL^. FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

M^r^. Cooke attends the Board (accord^g^. to order in this mornings Consultation) and acquaint[s] the Board that the late Presid^t^. will be answerable for the amount of the Sale of the twenty nine Chests of Treasure and that if the Board does not th[ink] the late Presid^ts^. bond for the Same sufficient that he is willing to enter into the Bond with him for the Amount of the Same and being press'd for a Sum̃ of money forthwith in part, he answer'd, he hop'd in five or six days to be able to pay in on Acco^t^. said Silver about ten or twelve thousand Pag^s^ upon which he was order'd to withdraw till the Board had Consider'd further on the Affair.

AGREED that the late President and M^r^. Cooke's joint bond is no Security to the hon^ble^. Company for the twenty nine Chests of Treasure, for a Bond without assits being join'd with it, and made over to the amount of the said Treasure is no more than an acknowledgment of the debt.

AGREED that as the President designs this evening to return M^r^. Hastings's Visit to him this morning that he does discourse M^r^. Hastings on the Subject of his debt on his Cash Acco^t^. and M^r^. Cooke's debt Acco^t^. the twenty nine Chests of treasure and that the President desire to know of M^r^. Hastings if he will give Security for his debt Acco^t^. the Cash, as also for M^r^. Cooke's debt on acco^t^. the twenty nine Chests of Silver and that the Board do wait the President's return in order to debate further on this matter which has already taken us up a great deal of time.

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Order'd that the Council of this Board be stationd according to the Honble. Presidents Commission and the Honble. Court of Directors orders ℘ the Heathcote which is as follows.

Nathaniel Turner	...	Accomptant.
Richard Benyon	...	Impt. & Expt. Warehousekr.
Catesby Oadham	...	Sea Customer.
John Emmerson	...	Paymaster.
Randall Fowke	...	Land Customr.
James Hubbard	...	Storekeepr.
George Drake	...	Rentll. Genll. & Scavingr. & Recr. of ye. Sea Customs.

Mr. Cooke being ask'd if there is any Treasure in the Silver Godown, declares there is none in it.

Order'd that Mr. Thomas Cooke do forthwith deliver the Godown to Mr. Benyon in presence of Messrs. Oadham and Emmerson and that these Sh[ips] treasure be put therein.

The President reports to the Board that he having been with the late President Mr. Hastings to return his Visit of the morning, did according to agreement in a foregoing Paragraph of this Consultation, discourse Mr. Hastings on the Affair of his Cash Accot. and the twenty nine Chests of treasure disposd off by Mr. Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekr. and that having demanded the money or sufficient Security for each, the late President did thereupon reply to him that he would certainly the day after to morrow (which he said was as soon as an affair of that nature could be transacted) pay him the Ballance of the Cash Accot. in money, Diamonds or other sufficient Security and that as to the affair of the twenty nine Chests of silver, he desires till the time is elapsed which the said silver was sold at, and concluded with desiring that no unkind expressions or entrys be made upon our Consultation Book to Slurr his Reputation, to which the Presidt. reply'd he found no Member of the Board any way inclin'd thereto, the President further adds he desir'd he would send him the foul Cash Book which he promis'd to [send] to morrow morning.

Agreed that the Board will wait till the day after to morrow [to] expect the late Presidents Mr. Hastings's performance of his promise unless in the mean time there should appear cause for the Contrary.

Order'd that Mr. Thomas Cooke be acquainted forthwith to make up his Warehouse Accots. to the 15th. of this month and deliver them in to the Board as soon as possible.

Order'd that Mr. Fowke do wait upon Mr. Hastings and desire him to signify to the Board in writing when the twenty nine Chests of treasure were dispos'd of, for how long trust and whether he will be Answerable to the Company for the produce of the Same. Mr. Fowke brought the following answer.

Honble. Sr. & Srs.

I have not summon'd a Council since the 2d. Instant having been much indisposed, but on the 10th. I consented Mr. Thomas Cooke Warehousekeeper should sell the twenty nine Chests of the Company's Silver at 14 ℘ 10 Pags. and twenty days trust in ordr. to discharge our debt to the Merchts. and for a Supply to the Subordinate Factorys wch. was to have been reported at the next Consultation for the amount of which Silver I will be answerable.

I am

Gentlemen

Your very humble. Servt.

Francis Hastings.

Fort St. George

16o. Octr. 1721.

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ORDER'D that the Stores for Fort St. George be unladen with all expedition except the Iron & Lead.

Mr. Benyon reports that Mr. Cooke [has] deliver'd him the Silver Warehouse & acquainted him in the presence of Messrs. Oadham & Emmerson that there was nothing therein except some few old empty Treasure Chests, which was accordingly so found.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNESDAY 18TH. 6 CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM. JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.

Richard Benyon Land Customer his Accot. for last month read Viz.

Choultry Customs	Pags.	380	23	70
Ruby Brokerage		23	16	1[4]
Registring slaves		—	16	—
		404	20	[4]

Ballance due from him Pags. 384. 5. 4.

A Pacquet directed to the Presidt. & Council inclosing one Bill of Loading for 15 chests of Treasure laden on board the Heathcote and another Bill of loading for 10 Chests aboard the Marlbrô open'd.

John Emmerson Paymaster delivers in a Muster roll of Ship King George's Men in number amounting to fifty.

Having all this day waited in expectation of the late Presidents performance of his promise given to our President the 16th. Inst. that he would deliver us this day the Cash Accot. and the Ballance thereof,

AGREED that the President do write him the following Note to put him in mind of his promise and that Mr. Randall Fowke do carry it to him.

TO FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.

Sr.

This being the day which yo. was pleas'd to promise the delivery to the Governr. & Council the Honble. Company's Cash Accot. and the Ballance thereof, We have stayd till now in expectation of your Complyance. I am now sitting in Consultation with my Council in expectation thereof and desire your answer by the Bearer in writing.

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTR. 18, 1721.

Sr.
Your most Humble. Servant.
NATHANLL. ELWICK.

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Order'd that the Warehousek^r. Messrs. Oadham and Emmerson do examine the Treasure of Ships Heathcote and Marlbrô and report the Same to the Board.

The President reports to the Board that he has had many complaints against Marr Kisna the late President's Dubash of ill using the Merch^ts. and being guilty of many ill Actions, he has secured him from leaving the Place (till there is time for the severall Accusations to be brought ag^st. him) which the Board agrees to, and Capt. Tolson having deliver'd the President a Letter he brought from the Cape of Good hope for the said Marr Kisna

Agreed that the said Marr Kisna be sent for and that he be required to open the said Letter and acquaint us with the Contents.

Capt. John Powney pays into Cash Pag^s. 500. —. —. for three Bills of Exchange given him of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to Edward Harrison Esqr. in London or his order.

Marr Kisna being call'd in, opened the Letter beforementioned and deliverd it the Sec^ry. to read which being read was found to be a Letter of no Consequence from M^r. Robert Woolley from the Cape, formerly a Writer here, who took his Passage on the Hartford for Great Brittain.

The President reports that upon hearing of the late Presidents dangerous illness he sent for M^r. Cooke the late Import Warehousekeep^r. and demanded of him Security for the 29 Chests of Treasure which he has dispos'd off out of the Warehouse, he reply'd he could not give in Security for the Same, whereupon the President thought himself obliged to deliver him to the Capt. of the Guard's Charge but that upon his request he had permitted him to remain in the Lodgings of the Warehouse und^r. Centinell.

The late President having requested that his Dubash Kisna may come to him as he shall want him on the matter of his Acco^ts. the President thereupon sent him to M^r. Hastings und^r. charge of some Peons and from thence he went to M^r. Draper's, Which is approv'd of and

Agreed that the Dubash be sent to M^r. Hastings whenever he wants him.

M^r. Fowke being return'd from the late President brought the Consultations sign'd and the following answer to the Presidents note about the Cash Acco^t.

To the Honble. Nathan^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govr. of Fort S^t. George.

Honble. S^r.

I have been confin'd to my bed all last night and this day, so soon as I am able to go abroad I shall deliver up the Company's Cash Chest and Keys with the Acco^t. thereof in order to which I desire the fair Cash Book may be sent me and the minutes to the time you came to the Government.

Fort S^t. George — I am
Octr. 18th. 1721. — Honble. S^r.
8 at night. — Your most Humble Servant
Francis Hastings.

Agreed that M^r. Hastings's answer to what the President wrote to him on the affair of his Cash Acco^t. appears to this Board to be frivolous and evasive and no ways agreeable to the promise he made the Presid^t. the 16th. Ins^t. and not till now did he ask for the fair Cash Book or foul minute book, however he may send such Person as he thinks fitting to the Secretarys Office to have recourse to them, therefore

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Order'd that Mr. Hastings do forthwith send such Person as he thinks proper with the key of the Cash Chest to open it before the Board & deliver such Cash as shall be found therein belonging to the Honble. Company for which a receipt shall be given by the President.

Agreed that Mr. Fowke do forthwith wait upon Mr. Hastings with copys of the two foregoing Paragraphs of this Consultation sign'd by the Secretary.

Mr. Fowke being return'd from serving Mr. Hastings with the foregoing order, brings for answer that he will by and by send the key of the Cash Chest by Mr. Walsh.

Mr. Walsh was sent for in & acquainted with the foregoing answer of Mr. Hastings's & order'd forthwith to go to the Garden to Mr. Hastings & bring the Key of the Cash Chest. Mr. Hastings desired Mr. Fowke to acquaint the Board that he kept his Cash at the Garden.

On perusing the foull Cash book and the minute Book it appears to us thereby that Mr. Hastings is indebted to the Honble. Company on his Cash Accot. the Sum of Pags. 72075. 10. 60.

Mr. Walsh brought the Key of the Cash Chest and opened it, upon which there was found in money one fanam and some Phirmaunds & Husbulhookums the List making number twenty nine from the Mogull and the Commission for trying of Pirates, a Paper with two Seals said to be a purse belonging to Delton Decd. in Pegu Which were all the things found in the Chest, except some empty Pagoda bags. Mr. Walsh being ask'd if he brought any message from Mr. Hastings answer'd he had none.

Agreed that to morrow morning the late President's Cash Accot. be drawn out, sent to him, and the Ballance demanded to be forthwith paid. And after having had a long debate upon the matter

Agreed that the President do give [such] orders to the Capt. of the Guard for securing the Person of the late President from making his escape from the place till such time as that he has paid the Honble. Company what he Owe's them on his Cash Accot. and the 29 Chests of Silver reported to be sold by Mr. Cooke.

Lieutenant Alexander Fullerton Commr. of the Guard being return'd from placing the proper Persons for securing of Mr. Hastings's Person, acquaint[s] the Board that Mr. Hastings desire'd he would give his Service to the Govr., that he hop'd in a few days to give him and the Council intire satisfaction. Lieutenant Fullerton further declard that Mr. Hastings express'd that he was very easy.

The Board having sat from 6 a Clock in the evening till half an hour after eleven the further Consideration of this affair is deferr'd till to morrow morning when its Agreed to meet at seven a Clock.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM. JOHN EMMERSON. RANDLL. FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD. GEORGE DRAKE.

THURSDAY THE 19TH. [7] IN THE MORNING.

The President reports that he has recd. a Letter from the Ostend Cheif at Covelon & our honble. Masters orders being to hold no Correspondence with the Ostenders, he has brought the Letter to the Board for the Council's perusall which being found to be only a Letter of Ceremony on the Presidents coming to the Governmt. and to advise that the George Brigantine's boat & People were drove thither but that he could not think proper to deliver the Same to the Governour's Peons without a Letter.

AGREED that the Presidt. do write to the Covelon Cheif to desire he would deliver to our Peons the George Brigantine's Boat and People.

The Accomptant pursuant to order of yesterday's Consultation delivers in a draught of the Company's Cash Accot. to this day gather'd from the Ballance of Mr. Hastings September month's Cash Accot., From the fair Consultation Book signd by Mr. Hastings, and the foul minute Book except 3000 Pagodas for which Bills of Exchange were sign'd and given the 2d. Instt. to Francis Hastings Esqr.on Accot. of William Jennings Esqr. but omitted to be enter'd either in Mr. Hastings foull Cash book, Minute book or Consultation Book, the said Bills for three thousand Pagodas were payable to Edward Harrison Esqr. or his order, the Ballance due from Mr. Hastings amounts to Pags. 72075. 10. 60.

ORDER'D that the Accomptants draught of the Companys Cash Accot. aforementioned be forthwith sent to Mr. Hastings by Messrs. Emmerson and Fowke and that they do give Mr. Hastings the said Accot. for his examination and bring back with them an answer in writing from Mr. Hastings whether he has any objection to any entry in the said Cash Accot.

Messrs. Emmerson and Fowke being return'd brought back the draught of the Cash Accot. before mentioned with an acknowledgment undr. Mr. Hastings's hand that the Ballance thereof is due from him and that he will be answerable for the Same. WHEREUPON they demanded the Ballance of him and that if he could not then pay them the whole they desired such part thereof as he could pay, to wch. Mr. Hastings reply'd that he had sent Messrs. Horden and Draper to get in the money and he hopd in the Afternoon to give the Board Satisfaction. Mr. Emmerson as Paymaster desired to know of Mr. Hastings if he was satisfy'd in relation to the Black Servant order'd to attend him, to which Mr. Hastings reply'd that every thing was very handsome and desired his Service to the Governour, and that he would please to order his Mount House to be got ready for him which the President will give the necessary directions about in time.

AGREED that we proceed no further in this affair till the afternoon when we shall expect the late President's further answer on the Affair of his Cash Accot.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer his Accot. for last month read, Viz.

Custom on Goods Exported and imported	1750	20	16
Do. on Grain	125	8	32
Anchorage	80	18	—
Pags.	1956	10	48

Ballance due from him Pag . 8114. 34. 62 of which he pays in Pags. 3500.

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Order'd that M^r^. Joshua Draper do immediately make up his Rentall Generall & Scavingers Acco^t^. and deliver the same to the Board with all speed and the Ballance thereof and the Books and Papers be deliver'd over to M^r^. George Drake the present Rentall Generall & Scavinger.

M^r^. John Emmerson Churchwarden pays into Cash Pag^s^. 10646. 8. 14 in full of the Estate of M^r^. Pedro Pereira Dec^d^. pursuant to an order from the Court of Directors in their Letter to this place dated the 30th. March 1720.

Order'd that 4000 Pagodas be advancd John Emmerson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Accompt Salary being produc'd in Consultation the 2^d^. Ins^t^. (which was orderd to be paid but not comply'd with by M^r^. Hastings) It is therefore

Agreed that the new President do issue out of Cash the Sum̃ of Pag^s^. 1796. 23. 54 for payment of the Same.

Broke up at 12 a Clock & Agreed to meet in the evening at six.

N. Elwick.
Nath^ll^. Turner.
Rich^d^. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 19. 6 in the evening.

Nathan^ll^. Elwick Esqr. Presid^t^. & Governour.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
Catesby Oadham. John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.

M^r^. Richard Horden delivers in a Paper (as entred after this Consultation) in answer to a remark made upon him in the 68th. Paragraph of the Honble. Court of Directors Lett^r^. ℔ Monmouth relating to his Import Warehouse Ballance.

Order'd that the Accomptant do examine the Generall Books and see if M^r^. Horden be indebted to the Honble. Company, if he is not

Agreed that the Accomptant do give M^r^. Horden the accustomary Certificate that he is not indebted.

Agreed that in pursuance of the Honble. Court of Directors Letter ℔ Ships Duke of Cambridge last year and ℔ Heathcote this year, that a Paper be affix'd at the Sea Gate in English, Portugueeze and [all] other the Country Languages setting forth that who[ever] of the Inhabitants have been aggriev'd or distress'd shall upon application made to the President & Council have their Cases heard and full justice done them. A copy of the Paper affix'd at the Sea Gate is enterd after this Consultation for our hon^ble^. Master's perusall.

Francis Hastings Esqr. late President pays into Cash Pag^s^. 10,000 in part of the Ballance of Cash due from him and for which the Presid^t^. has given him a receipt.

Order'd that M^r^. Fowke do carry the Presidents beforemention'd rec^t^. to M^r^. Hastings & acquaint him that we impatiently wait to know his further Offers.

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Mr. Catesby Oadham who by his Station in Council should be Cheif justice of the Choultry being lately chosen Mayor and thereby renderd incapable of acting as Cheif justice, It is

AGREED that Mr. John Emmerson who is next in Station of Council be Cheif Justice of the Choultry during the time Mr. Oadham continues Mayor and to be assisted by Messrs. Fowke, Hubbard & Drake.

Mr. Fowke being return'd from deliver[ing] Mr. Hastings the Presidents receipt for the 10,000 Pags. he sent the Board this evening on Accot. of his debt to the Honble. Company brought the following written Paper from Mr. Hastings.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

I have recd. from the Honble. Presidt. an Acknowledgement of the ten thousand Pagodas wch. were paid into Consultation this evening by my Deputes (or Persons so desired by me) on Accot. the Honble. Compas. Cash and shall send to your Honr. &ct. too morrow Security to double the amount of what remains due from me (in a List of my Concerns in Ships and Stocks now abroad) not only on the aforementioned Accot. but also on Accot. the Silver for which I have sign'd a note to be answerable, I hope this will prove satisfactory to your Honr. &ct. because I am desirous of preserving my Credit and approving my self

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

FORT ST. GEORGE — Your most Humble. Servant

OCTR. 19, 1721. — FRANCIS HASTINGS.

AGREED that this matter be deferr'd till the Presidt. has recd. the List promised by Mr. Hastings in the aforementioned Paper of his.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND : FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

Its with great concern I observe what the Honble. Company are pleased to write in their 68 Parag̃. of their Lettr. dated 24th. Febr̃y. 1720/21 ℘ Monmo. because I think therein they doubt my fidelity wch. is what I am Sure I have never given occasion for in my 20 years Service to you, wherefore I must beg your Honr. &ct. will please to peruse [the] Consult̃. of the 12th. Feb : 1719/20 relating to our making an Investment; it was alledg'd by Some of our Board that probably we might pay

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Interest for money upon wch. as the Honble. Comp^{a}. are pleased to observe I did say that I should be able to pay in the Ballance of my Import Warehouse Acco^{t}. very quickly and accordingly I paid in Viz

Febry. 22^{d}. 1719/20	... ...	10000 — —
March 3^{d}. 1719/20	... ...	15000 — —
	Pag^{s}.	25000 — —

The odd money of Pag^{s}. 604. 14. 7 I carry'd forward to next [m^{os}.] Acco^{t}. as customary & I hope my Honble. Employers will long [ere] this be satisfy'd that I have paid in all Ballances due to them thô for want of a full explanation in the Consultā. before cited I have unfortunately suffer'd their Censure, I may here beg your Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. Justice in satisfying the Honble. Company that the affair is as I have related. I am with all respect

Hon^{BLE}. S^{R}. &c^{T}.

Fort S^{T}. George — Your most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servant

17TH. Oct^{R}. 1721. — Rich^{D}. Horden.

Whereas the Honble. the Court of Directors for affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies have rec^{d}. very great Complaints of mismanagements at Fort S^{r}. George as well relating to the interruption of the generall freedom of trade allow'd by the said Company under their rules and limitations, the oppressing the Inhabitants & extorting moneys from them, the engrossing of Commoditys & in many other Instances which tend to [the] great detriment and if not timely check'd will prove the utter ruin of the trade and Inhabitants of Fort S^{r}. George

This is to give notice, that they the said Court of Directors have therefore in order to prevent so great an evill, to check the least Attempts towards it for the future and to give the injured Persons all just opportunity to prove and recover their just demands, authoriz'd, appointed and directed the Honble Nathaniel Elwick Esq^{R}. President and Governour of Fort S^{r}. George with the Gentlemen of his Council to enquire into any Complaint that Shall be made them in Such manner and by Such impartiall and just ways and methods as they shall judge best for discovering the truth.

All Persons therefore aggreiv'd have free liberty to apply themselves unto the said President & Council when their causes will be heard and justice done them.

And that these Presents may be well known to all the Inhabitants they are wrote in the usuall Languages of these parts.

Fort S^{T}. George — By order of the Honble. Presid^{t}. & Council.

16TH. Oct^{R}. 1721. — Joseph Houghton
Sec^{ry}.

At a Consultation

Present

Saturday the 21ST. [...in] y^{e}. morning

Nathaniel Elwick Esq^{R}. President & Governour.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
Catesby Oadham. John Emmerson. Rand^{LL}. Fowke.
James Hubbard. George Drake.

John Russon pays into Cash Pagodas 450. 33. —. for three bills of Exchange on the Honble. Court of Directors of yesterdays date payable to M^{r}. John Harris or ord^{r}. Acco^{t}. the Estate of William Harris Deceased.

Stephen Newcome pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 550 Acco^{t}. the Villages of Egmore.

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Messrs. John Emmerson & James Hubbard are sent to Mr. Thomas Cooke to acquaint him the time was elapsed for the payment of the money promised in Consultation the 18th. Inst. and being return'd acquaint the Board he would immediately send 14000 Pagodas.

Mr. Thomas Cooke attends the Board and reads his Import Warehousekeepers Accot. for the month of September, Ballance due from him Pags. 11331. 18. 9, as also his Export Warehousekeeper's Accot. Ballance due to him Pags. 3865. 28. 6 which wth. Pags. 14000 recd. in ready money amounts to Pags. 17865. 28. 6 is or[dd.] to be enterd as recd. of him on the following Accots.

Accot. Silver sold	Pags.	7122	10	[27]
Accot. Goods sold out of the Import Warehouse		10743	17	[59]
	Pags.	17865	28	[6]

Mr. Thomas Cooke delivers to the Board a Paper relating to his Accots. which is read & order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

To the Honble. Nathanll. Elwick Esqr.
President & Governr. of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

When I was before you on the 1[6]th. Inst. it was a great concern to me to hear you so very pressing for the amount of the Silver sold out of the Warehouse which upon so Short warning I was no way able to comply with. I then told you in what time I did expect to receive the money and doubt not I may [be able] to satisfy you in full by that time. However as you complain'd so much of the lowness of your Cash and the want you were in of ready money to defray your Charges Garrison &ct. I did then make you an offer to pay in ten or twelve thousand Pagodas or as much I could get in within two or three days, I have now accordingly sent you the following Sums, which is all the money I have yet been able to get together, Vizt.

On Accot. Silver Sold	Pags.	7122	10	27
On Accot. Goods Sold		6877	25	53
		14000	—	—
To which if you'll please to add the Ball. due to me on the Export Warehouse Accot		3865	28	6
	in Pags.	17865	28	6
and Substract the Ballance due from me to the Honble. Company on ye. Impt. Wareho. Accot. ...		11331	18	9
The honble. Compa. will then appear to be indebted to me		6534	9	77

I shall loose no time in making up my Warehouse Accots. for October according to your ordr. and hope to pay in the Ballance thereof within such a reasonable time as your Honr. &ct. or the Honble. Company may have no reason to complain of.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

Your most Humble. Servant

Thomas Cooke.

Fort St. George
Octr. 20th. 1721.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 21ST. [...] IN YE. AFTERNOON.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

The President now lays before the Board a List of the late President's Concerns in severall Ships abroad amounting to Pags. 278207. 10. 75 which Mr. Hastings proposes and hopes we will accept as Security for [the dem]ands we have upon him and Mr. Cooke on Accot. of the Honble. Company. But having recd. intimation that Capt. Powney who is a large Creditor of Mr. Hastings had part of these Adventures assign'd over to him for his Security and the Board observing that no part is Substracted from the List for Capt. Powney's Account

ORDER'D that Capt. Powney do attend ye. Board and be interrogated concerning the matter.

Capt. Powney appearing owns he has made over to him for his Security half of the Stock & block of Ship Hastings to China; one fourth of the Stock and block of the Mocha Galley to Mocha, and one fourth of the Stock and block of Ship Richmond to Surat, but was to relinquish the Same if we AGREED to accept of the List as it now lies before us as security for the Company's debt.

Capt. Powney being withdrawn, the Board enter'd into a debate concerning Mr. Hastings's proposall and resolved to insist upon Some Security in Diamonds as he hinted to the President he had some by him, & then

AGREED to adjourn till seven in the evening to consider further upon Mr. Hastings's List of Adventures.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 21ST. [7] IN YE. EVENING.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMS. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

The late President agrees to deposite Diamonds to the value of twenty thousand Pags. but desires he may redeem the same by the first twenty thousand Pags. he shall pay in.

The Board then reassum'd the debate concerning the List of Adventures and resolved before they should be accepted that the Vouchers for the sevll. Concerns be produc'd and copys of the orders & Instructions.

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ORDER'D that Mess[rs]. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard assisted by the Register do prepare a proper Instrument of Assignment to lay before the Board as soon as possible in case we shall accept the list of Adventures for Security.

AGREED that it be an Instruction to Mess[rs]. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard that they enter it as an obligation in the Assignment that M[r]. Hastings shall send no orders to Bengall, Surat, or any other parts relating to his Concerns without the privity of the Board.

Francis Hastings Esq[r]. his Mint Acco[t]. for the month of September read. Ballance due from him Rupees 4133. 11. & Pag[s]. 121. 12. 30. M[r]. Oadham reports that the 11th. Ins[t]. were paid to M[r]. Thomas Cooke Import Warehousek[r]. 3250 rup[s]. in part of the Ballance of rupees aforementioned, the remaining 883. 11. —. are now deliver'd to M[r]. Richard Benyon Import Wareh[o]. Keeper & the Ballance of Pag[s]. 121. 12. 30 are now paid into Cash.

N. ELWICK.
NATH[LL]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND : FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ[R]. PRESID[T]. & GOVERNOUR. — TUESDAY THE 24TH.
NATH[LL]. TURNER. RICH[D]. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

The President acquaints the Board that upon M[r]. Hastings's request by M[r]. Horden he had sent him the instruments drawn up by Mess[rs]. Oadham, Fo[wke], Hubbard and Tullie for his Perusall desiring him at the same time to bring them back as soon as he had [done]. M[r]. Horden accordingly return'd and acquainted him that M[r]. Hastings desired that he might have a longer time allow'd him, for the sale of the Ships than is therein fix'd which request of his being maturely consider'd It was RESOLVED that the Board cannot admit of any Alteration in the instruments drawn up for M[r]. Hastings to sign and that Mess[rs]. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard do go and acquaint him therewith.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster his Acco[t]. for last month read, Viz.

Charges Garrison ...	1984	2	25
Charges Generall ...	944	26	70
Triplicane Bridge ...	407	35	15
Garden Bridge ...	41	17	70
Charges Cattle ...	166	22	55
Repairs of Fortifications ...	230	18	75
Diet and Stores laid in ...	524	1	10
Charges Diet ...	493	22	20
Charges Extraordinary ...	22	7	—
Anjengo ...	36	15	—
Bombay Presidency ...	50	—	—
Pag[s].	4901	25	20

Ballance due to him Pag[s]. 1901. 25. 20 which is order'd to be paid.

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Upon examining the extraordinary Expence for last month It is found to arise from the following Particulars, Viz.

Triplicane Bridge	407	35	15
Garden Bridge	41	17	70
Anjengo for Wages advanc'd to 2 Carpenters & 2 smiths sent thither	36	15	—
Bombay Presidency for Subsistance to the Widows Cowse, Burton & their Children	50	—	—
Pag^{s}.	535	32	5

John Emmerson Storekeeper his Acco^{t}. for last month read, Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 2714. 1. 70 which he now pays into Cash.

Order'd that 1000 Pagodas be advanc'd James Hubbard Storekeeper for impress money &c^{t}. for the George Brigantine and other uses.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 583 . 12 for last month's rent of that Farm.

Poncala Kisna pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 136. 24. —. for two month's rent of the measuring duty.

Messrs. Thomas Willford & George Beel pay into Cash Pag^{s}. 21. 34. 53, for which three bills of Exchange were given them on the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date payable to M^{r}. Michael Acton, Blackwell Hall, Factor in London, or to his ord^{r}. Acco^{t}. the Estate of John Acton Dec^{d}.

The Accomptant reads the Journall parcells for the month of August.

The request of M^{r}. Richard Horden (enter'd after this Consultation) being read,

Agreed that we dont find it necessary to give him copy of any part of the Gen^{ll}. Letter.

It being now time to resolve what we will do in relation to the Heathcote & Marlbrô and it being proposed to dispatch the former to the Bay, A Debate arose whether it was probable that She could get her Passage to Bengall time enô to be returnd hither with part of her Lading and dispatch'd for Europe from hence this Season. Whereupon it was

Order'd that Capt. Powney & Capt. Crossing be sent for and their opinions ask'd touching y^{e}. Passage to Bengall at this time of the year, they being Persons very well acquainted therewith.

Cap^{ts}. Powney & Crossing attend the Board and being ask'd in how long time a Ship could get her passage to the Bay at this Season, both Agreed that if She be dispatch'd by the end of October She may get thither by Christmass day but as to the weather [it] is generally the worst in all the year and she may probably wait at Ballasore a considerable time for a Pilot to carry her up the River.

Upon this answer the Board took [into] consideration the reasons for and against sending her thi[ther] and it was upon the whole Agreed that the want of an early Supply of Cash in the Bay must undoubtedly have prevented their making a considerable Investment there, neither can we think the Supply of Silver that we have now ready to send them can be of much service whether it be in December or Febr̄y that it arrives there (both those months being so late in the Season) towards the lading of this years Shipping which the Gentlemen in Bengall seem'd so sensible of themselves that on the 15th. of Augst. M^{r}. ffeake thought fit in a private Letter to one of our Board to desire he would endeavour to prevent their being overburthen'd with Tonnage. The Board remembers that last year the Bengall Gentlemen reckon'd the Investment they had then made, the greatest that has been known in Bengall for these severall years, they having wholly laden the Cardigan, Craggs and

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Duke of York directly for England, and 1/3d. loaden the Derby, Mary and Duke of Cambridge and sent them up to us in December which we imagine must have run the Bengall Gentlemen so far in debt to their Merchants that the Supply of money they have recd. and what we have ready to send them cannot enable them to make a greater Investment than will fill up the Tonnage they are already likely to have. The Stretham they will undoubtedly dispatch directly the Addison they may expect & likewise dispatch her home Directly which with one third part Lading for the Monmouth to be sent us in January is the most we can imagine they will be able to do this year. All which being fully debated as also ye. Quantity of Goods we have & hope to have ready by the middle of February ; and the Tonnage we have now to provide for and may expect by that time, the Board think they have good reason to beleive they shall be able to fill up and dispatch this Season the following Ships from hence,

The Marlbrô & Heathcote in Decr.

The Monmouth if She comes from the Bay 1/3d. Laden in January.

The Dartmouth who we expect from the West Coast. Also
The Francis whom may probably arrive here from China
about the latter end of January ... ... } in February.

The Board then took into consideration how desirous our Honble. Masters are of having their Ships arrive in time for the September Sale and that if we should dispatch the Heathcote to the Bay, she cannot be in a readiness to sail in less than eight days, thô She should carry the Lead and Iron now on board her thither which would be loosing about forty ℔ Cent in the Sale thereof, that being the difference of price in those Commoditys between this market and the Bay, and should the Lead and Iron be taken out We apprehend it would be about ten days longer before the Ship could be shifted and new ballasted, the weather at this time of the year not being at all to be depended on for Lading or unlading of Goods &ct. so that in all probability it must be so late before she could get thither that She must be too late to be dispatch'd agreeable to the Company's orders, or else we must send the Lead and Iron upon her, and sending those Goods to the Bay where there would be so great a loss upon them The Board cannot think our Honble. Masters would approve of, and therefore it is for the foregoing reasons Resolved that it does appear to us much the Interest of our Honble. Masters that we dispatch the Ships Marlbrô and Heathcote in Decr. and accordingly it is

Agreed that Ships Marlbrô and Heathcote be laden for England in December and Ship Monmouth (if She is sent us from the Bay) in January.

The Warehousekr. and Storekeepr. deliver'd in their List of Goods &ct. wanting from Bengall which is approv'd of and Agreed to be sent thither by the Pattamar.

Messrs. Oadham, Emmerson & Hubbard being return'd from Mr. Hastings acquaint the Board that He will sign, seal and deliver the Instruments as drawn up and that we shall have the Vouchers he hopes sometime to morrow, but that he thinks the word immediately, too close an expression, to which Mr. Oadham reply'd that he had no reason to think the Board would proceed with any rigour against him, to which he made answer, he beleiv'd they would not.

N. Elwick.
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To the Honble. Nath^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

Honble. S^r^. &c^t^.

Having fallen under the displeasure of the Honble. Court of Directors I find they have dismissed me their Honble. Company's Service, wherefore I desire the favour of your Hon^r^. &c^t^. that I may have copys of what they lay to my Charge in order to vindicate my self to them and the world.

I further desire your Hon^r^. &c^t^. will please to order the Accomptant to give me the accustomary discharge as I have paid in all Ballances of Acco^ts^. in whatsoever Station I have acted in their Service as may appear by their Generall Books.

I have likewise deliver'd to y^e^. Steward what Plate I had in my hands that was provided for the Dieu Island Expedition and to the Storekeep^r^. what stores I had on that Account. I am with all respect

Honble. S^r^. & S^rs^.

Fort S^t^. George — Yo^r^. most obed^t^. Hum^ble^. Servant

Octr. ye 20th. 1721. — Rich^d^. Horden.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 26th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govern^r^.
Nath^ll^. Turner. Rich^d^. Benyon. Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson. Randall Fowke. Jam^s^. Hubbard.
George Drake.

The Portugueeze Padrees upon this change of Government make a request to the Board desiring we will ratify the permission granted them by the late Presid^t^. & Council for rebuilding their Church, and as we do not see any cause to the contrary, their behaviour having been always very agreeable, it is thought fit to confirm the former grant.

The Report of M^r^. Richard Horden late Accomptant about the Company's Vessells, was read giving an Acco^t^. of the high prices they stand at for want of being credited for freight on their sev^ll^. Voyages for about three years past, the said report is entred After this Consultation. And as the Books lye open in order to settle this matter

Agreed that credit for freight be given the Company's Vessells as in the aforementioned report is calculated and that it be a standing rule for the future that when any of the said Vessells bring Wares or Stores to this Place the Warehousek^r^. and Storekeep^r^. do on the arrivall thereof debt the Wares and Stores for freight, and that the Accomptant do for the future, credit the said Vessells for freight when they depart from this Port.

It appearing by the instructions [to] the Supra Cargoes of Ship Hastings to China that only two third parts of the produce of that Ship's Cargo [are] to be return'd to this Place, therefore the Board do [ap]point that Messrs. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard [do] go to M^r^. Hastings and acquaint him that we insist upon and expect that the other one third part be deducted from the List, as also any other Person's concerns in the said List which together with the Diamond Security will not amount to double the debt & therefore t'is

Agreed that Messrs. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard do ask M^r^. Hastings if he has any further Security to give the Board to make y^e^. Security amount to double the Sum̄ of his debt.

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Richard Benyon Land Customer pays into Cash the Ballance of his September month's acco^{t}. being Pag^{s}. 384. 5. 4.

The Churchwardens have acquainted the Board of M^{r}. Hastings's debt to the Church which is AGREED to be taken into Consideration after the Honble. Company's debt is secured.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRA: HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

I beg leave before the closing the Heads of the Honble. Company's Shipping in the last years Books to acquaint you with the high prices they now stand at which is occasion'd by omitting to give them their due credit for their freight or earnings.

The prizes they now Stand at are, Viz.

	Pag^{s}.	fa.	Ca.
GEORGE BRIGANTINE	11141	15	75
SHIP METCHLEPATAM	6725	23	29
SHIP YOUNG DERBY	9382	28	50
SLOOP DARTMOUTH	898	8	63

I shall now proceed to lay before your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. the particular Voyages wherein freight has been omitted and shall add what more may be necessary in order to receive your Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. Commands.

THE GEORGE BRIGANTINE in Aprill 1718 was sent to the West Coast and stay'd there 11$^{mos.}$ for all which time she has no credit and in Novr. 1719 She is sent on another Voyage to the West Coast and was kept there till January 1720/1 which is [14]$^{mos.}$ for which time there is likewise the Same omission so that She was two years and one month in constant [voyage] without any Credit, I think it necessary here to remark your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. that this Brigantine made a Voyage to the West Coast the 5th. of Octr. 1717 and return'd hither again the 23^{d}. Jan^{ry}. 1717/18, which is three months 18 days for which She is credited 800$^{Pags.}$ which is near 230 Pag^{s}. ℔m^{o}. at which rate the two trips before mentioned will come to Pag^{s}. 5730 which deducted from the Ballance she now stands at the[re] will remain Pag^{s}. 5391. 15. 75, this I mention that your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. may please to resolve what Sums the Vessells shall now Stand at in our running b[oo]ks and to prevent the like for the future I hum[bly] propose that the Warehousek^{r}. and Storekeep^{r}. [will] for the future be order'd to debt the Sundry Wares and Stores they receive on any of the Company's Vessells for the freight and when any Goods [are] sent the Accomptant to charge the Freight at [the] Foot of the Invoice, for what is past its imposs[ible] to debt the Goods that were loaden on the se[v^{ll}.] Vessells to the freight, those being Sold or sent to Europe and the respective heads clos'd some [years] past.

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The Ship Metchlepatam on the 8th. of Aprill 1718 sails for Bengall where She carries redwood and returns with a Cargo of Wares & St[ores] from thence the 3d. of October following for which Voyage of 5. 25 days she has no credit, the [...] of October 1718 She sails for Bencoolen and doth not return till the 5th. of July 1719 which is 8mos. 13 days for which likewise credit is omitted to be given her. The 18th. Augst. 1719 She sails with treasure and Stores for Vizagapatam and from thence to Bengall from whence She returns with a Loading the 24th. February
mo. da.
1719/20 which is 6. 6 and here is the aforesaid omission in [the] Voyage. In the whole you'll please to observe that this Ship has been on severall Voyages for the
mo. da.
space of 20. 14 without any Credit, the 7th. of Sepr. 1720 She sails for the West Coast which to the last of Aprill being the close of our Books will make an
mo. da.
addition of 7. 23 more than She was [in] Service, so that this added to the above-
mo. da. mo. da.
mention'd 20. 14 makes 28. 7, so that allowing her 200 Pags. ℔ mo. for her Service she being pretty near as [big] as the George Brigantine it will amount to Pags.
Pag. fa. Ca.
5648, which deducted from the Sum of 9382. 28. [50] there will remain Pags. 3734. 28. 50.

The Ship Young Derby on the 23d. July 1719 went on a Voyage to Bengall and Vizagapatam, carries to the latter Stores and bri[ngs] a Loading of stores & Wares from the former from whence she did not arrive till the 20th. of December
mos. da.
following, so that She was 5. 3 on this Voyage and no credit given her, Janry. 19, 1719/20 She goes to Fort St. David with Wares and Stores and returns the 3d. of March with a Loading of 200 [bales] so that She was one month 14 days making [the] trip without any Credit for her Service, On the [7th.] of Sepr. 1720 she was sent to the West Coast where She Still remains so that She has been [in] the Service as

	mo.	da.
aforesaid	6	17
Please to add from the 7th. of Sepr. 1720 to the Close of our Books Aprill	7	23
makes in all	14	10

mo.
So that your Honr. &ct. will please to observe [that] 14. 10 days she has had no Credit for the use [that] has been made of her; Now this Vessell is about 2/3ds. as big as the Ship Metchlepm. to whom I have made an allowance in proportion to [the] George Brigantine of 200 Pags. ℔ month; so that computing this at 134 Pags. ℔ mo.
mo. da.
the 14. 10 [will] amount to Pags. 1921 which being substracted from the Ball: she now Stands there remas. Pags. [...].

As to the Sloop Dartmouth I dont find there has been an omission in the Credit Side of her Accot.

I have now given your Honr. &ct. the plainest Accot. I can of the severall Vessells and shall follow such directions as you shall please to give, being with due respect

Fort St. George Honble. Sr. & Srs.

Octr. yr. 10th. 1721. Your most Obedt. Humble. Servt.

Richd. Horden.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOVERNOUR.
NATH^LL. TURNER. RICH^D. BENYON. CATESBY OADDHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

THURSDAY THE 26TH. IN Y^E. EVENING.

Messrs. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard deliver in writing an Acco^t. of their transactions with the late Presid^t. pursuant to agreement in Consultation in the morning, their said report is enterd hereafter.

AGREED that the Amount of the List of Adventures as it now Stands the one third part of the Hastings's Invoice being included being Pag^s. 269707. 10. 7[5] together with the Diamonds said to be in value about twenty thousand Pag^s. be accepted as Security for M^r. Hastings's and M^r. Cooke's debts to the Honble. Comp^n. Provided M^r. Hastings gives an Order to his Attorneys to pay the produce of the one third part of the Hastings's Stock (in case it shall be remitted to England) to the Honble. Court of Directors or their Assigns, M^r. Hastings declaring he has no further Security to offer the Board.

AGREED that the Copy of M^r. Hastings's Cash Acco^t. for Octr. wch. was omitted to be enterd after Consultation of the 19th. Ins^t. be enter'd after this.

Our Honble. Masters orders relating to the Military being taken into Consideration, It was

AGREED that the Lieutenants of the Military do deliver in An Acco^t. of the State thereof and they were accordingly call'd in and acquainted with this order.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE HON^BLE. NATH^LL. ELWICK ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. & GOV^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^T. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. & S^RS.

In Obedience to your Hon^r. &c^t. commands We have acquainted M^r. Hastings that the Board had perused the Invoices & Instructions relating to the List of Voyages &c^t. and having made their observations thereon, order'd us to acquaint him that by his Instructions to the Supracargoes of the Hastings they find that one third of the produce of that Stock was not to be return'd hither being otherwise orderd, they likewise order'd us to acquaint him that it had been intimated to them that there were some concerns to the amount of about 6000 Pagodas under him not deducted in the List of Voyages &c^t. which with one third part of the Hasting's Stock reduc'd y^e. Security propos'd to near 13000 Pag^s. short of double the amount of his debt, upon which we told him we were order'd to demand a further Security; To which he reply'd that those orders to the Supra Cargoes of the Hastings to deliver 1/3^d. of the produce of the Cargo to M^r. Wright were only conditionall in case Gold could be bought at a reasonable price and that he did not know but the whole might

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be return'd hither, nevertheless he was willing to assign over to us that part yt. Mr. Wright may receive in China that we might transmit that assignment home to the Court of Directors who would thereby have a power to receive it of Mr. Wright or any other Person.

As to those concerns under him not deducted in the List he gave us he now delivers an Accot. of them to the amount of Pags. 8500, which reduces the Originall Sum (without deducting 1/3d. of ye. Hastings's Stock) to Pags. 269707. 10. 75 & further tells us he has no more security to offer; he likewise desires us to acquaint the Board that this Accot. of Concerns under him is all that He knows of and that if any small matter should appear hereafter which he says he is sure cant amount to above 1000 Pags. he hopes the Board will impute it to his indisposition & not design and that he is willing to sign the List (as now alter'd) with the declaration we propos'd to him from the Board.

Mr. Draper being present we acquainted him likewise that the Board had observ'd that in the heads of the Invoices he was mentioned as an Owner & thereupon acquainted him that the Board expected he Should sign a declaration that he was no more concern'd in the Voyages & Adventures set down in the List than the sum therein express'd to which he reply'd he was willing to sign such a declaration. Mr. Hastings then desired us to acquaint the Board that he should be very glad if the writings could be got ready for him to execute this evening.

We are

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Your Honr. &cas. most Humble & Most Obedt. Servts.

Fort St. George
Octr. 26th. 1721.

Catesby Oadham.
Randll. Fowke.
James Hubbard.

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THE HON^{BLE}. UNITED COMPANY'S CASH. Dr.

Date		Pags.	fa.	ca.
℔ mo	To Ballance brot. from last month's Cash Accot. wch. is sign'd by Francis Hastings Esqr.	61598	29	1
2d.	To Accor. Currt. London recd. of Mr. Thomas Cooke for wch. gave three Bills of Exchange on ye. Court of Directors of this days date payable to John Freeman of Fawley Court Esqr. as ℔ Consultation of this days date sign'd by Fras. Hastings Esqr.	7143	6	59
2d.	To Accor. Currt. London recd. of Fras. Hastings Esqr. for which gave three Bills of Exchange on the Court of Directors of this days date payble to Edward Harrison Esqr. or his order for Accot. of William Jennings Esqr.	3000	—	—
6	To Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine license recd. for last month	333	12	—
	Pags	72075	11	60

PER CONTRA. Cr.

Date		Pags.	fa.	ca.
18	By Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. being what found in the Company's Cash Chest open'd this day by the late Secry. Walsh ℔ order of Francis Hastings Esqr.	—	1	—
19	By Ball. due from Francis Hastings Esqr. ...	72075	10	60
	Pags.	72075	11	60

I do acknowledge the Ballance of this Account being Pagodas seventy two thousand and seventy five, ten [*sic*] fanams and sixty Cash is due from me to the Honble. Company & I oblige my self to be answerable for the Same. Fort St. George 19th. Octr. 1721.

FRANCIS HASTINGS.

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ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ NATHANIEL TURNER
Accompt.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY 27TH.

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JNO. EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard do attend Mr. Hastings with the Bonds and List of Adventures and see them executed in due form.

Messrs. Oadham, Fowke and Hubbard being return'd, deliver to the Board a Bulse seal'd with Mr. Hastings's Seal containing one large and two small Diamonds valued at about twenty thousand Pagodas, they likewise deliver to the Board Mr. Hastings's assignment of the said bulse of Diamonds and his Concerns in severall Ships amounting to Pagodas 105236. 2. 53, they likewise deliver three orders of the Same tenour & date directed to Mr. Thomas Wright or Edward Harrison Esqr. to pay the produce of such part of Ship Hastings's Stock which Shall go home from China to the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to ye. East Indies or to their Assigns, the List of his Concerns at Sea, his Assignment of severall of them and of the abovementiond bulse of Diamonds as also the order on Mr. Thomas Wright or Edward Harrison Esqr. are all enter'd after this Consultation.

Messrs. Oadham, Fowke & Hubbard do also deliver to the Board Mr. Hastings's assignment to Mr. Thomas Cooke of his Concern in Sundry Ships to the amount of Pags. 164471. 8. 22 which Assignment is made over to the Honble. Company by Mr. Thomas Cooke as security for his debt to THEM, for Silver wanting in the Warehouse, which is also enter'd after this Consultation.

Messrs. Oadham, Fowke & Hubbard report that Mr. Hastings desires he may have Copys of all the Papers he has sign'd which are

ORDER'D to be given him.

ORDER'D that the Secry acquaint Mr. Hastings that we desire if he has any request to make to the Board he will please to do it in writing, and that a Pattamar will be dispatchd to morrow to the Bay, that He may give such directions in relation to his Ships there as he may think most for his Interest Provided that He advises the Board thereof.

The Board having accepted the security offer'd by Mr. Hastings and Cooke for payment of their debts to the Company,

ORDER'D that the Guards be withdrawn provided Mr. Hastings & Mr. Cooke do give their words to the Capt. of the Guard not to depart the Bounds without leave.

The Board then took into Consideration the West Coast Affair and it was agreed to be necessary to send a Supravisor thither, but as our Honble. Masters Commission appointing Mr. Turner 3d. of Council arriv'd since he was appointed for that Post, we can by no means think proper that he should go, nor can we well spare any of this Board for which reason it was order'd to send for the List of Covenanted Servants and make a new Choice. The List being produc'd & carefully examin'd it was unanimously AGREED that Mr. Thomas Dunster be chosen Supravisor of the West Coast and tis hop'd that he will act in that Station to the satisfaction of our Honble. Masters and his own reputation, at least we have good reason to believe so frõ. his behaviour at this place thrô the whole Course of his Service to the Honble. Company. Therefore

ORDER'D that Mr. Thomas Dunster do go Supravisor to the West Coast and that he be acquainted therewith immediately.

Mr. Thomas Dunster was accordingly sent for and expressing a great deal of Willingness to undertake it was orderd to prepare for going away very Speedily as were also Messrs. Burton, Willford, Beel and Blackall.

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The Board being thoroughly satisfy'd of the abilitys of Mr. George Toriano he is call'd in and acquainted that the Company have given leave for his Continuance in their Service.

ORDER'D therefore that the Salary be paid him for so long time as it shall appear to be due.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

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A LIST OF CONCERNS BELONGING TO FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. ON THE SHIPS NOW ABROAD.

No. 1 SHIP ARABIA MERCHT. to Bengall & Surat									
her Outset				4500	—	—			
Invoice				10404	20	—			
Mr. J. Draper his ¼	3726	5	—	14904	20	—			
Capt. Williams's Concern ...	2000	—	—						
				5726	5	—			
							9178	15	—
2 SHIP BRITTANIA to ye. West Coast									
her outset				3500	—	—			
Invoice				14043	15	20			
				17543	15	20			
Capt. Powney's Concern ...				1500	—	—			
							16043	15	20
3 SHIP TONQUEEN FACTOR to Tonqueen									
her Outset				2000	—	—			
Invoice				14522	14	30			
							16522	14	30
4 SHIP RICHMOND to Surat									
her Outset				8000	—	—			
Invoice				39703	23	—			
				47703	23	—			
Capt. Mackmath's Concern.				3000	—	—			
							44703	23	—
5 SHIP LONDON to Bengall & Surat									
her Outset				5600	—	—			
Invoice				4407	28	60			
				10007	28	60			
Mr. Draper's ¼	2501	34	15						
Mr. Jennings	1000	—	—						
				3501	34	15			
							6505	30	45
6 SHIP HAMPTON COURT to Bengall									
her Outset				6500	—	—			
Invoice				10863	30	70			
							17363	30	70

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N°. 7 Ship Kensington to Siam									
her Outset				3500	—	—			
Invoice				13496	16	17			
							16996	16	17
8 Ship Tiplicane to Manilha									
her Outset				8000	—	—			
Invoice				8509	28	12			
				16509	28	12			
Mr. Draper his ½				8254	32	6			
							8254	32	6
9 Ship Hastings to China									
her Outset				21000	—	—			
Invoice				60930	22	58			
							81930	22	58
10 Ship Francis to Bengall & Goa									
her Outset				3000	—	—			
Invoice				3142	—	—			
				6142	—	—			
Mr. Draper his ¼				1535	18	—			
							4606	18	—
11 Ship Hannover to Bengall & Mocha									
her Outset				15000	—	—			
Invoice				3490	8	—			
				18490	8	—			
Mr. Draper his ¼				4622	20	—			
							13867	24	—
12 Ship Coventry to Malacca									
her Outset				3500	—	—			
Invoice				13727	23	6			
				17227	23	6			
Mr. Draper his ½				8613	29	43			
							8613	29	43
13 Ship Munchu to Pegu									
her Outset				1500	—	—			
Invoice				2054	2	44			
				3554	2	44			
Mr. Draper his ¼				888	18	51			
							2665	19	73
14 Ship Mocha Galley to Mocha									
her Outset				7928	19	74			
Invoice				19012	33	72			
				26941	17	66			
Mr. Jeñings ⅛	3367	24	58						
Mr. Benyon	5000	—	—						
Mr. Draper ¼	6735	13	37						
Lewis Madeira	1000	—	—						
				16103	2	15			
							10838	15	51
15 Ship Chandos to Surat									
his Concern				...			5000	—	—
Adventure on D°.				2000	27	—			
Mr. Draper ¼				500	6	60			
							1500	20	20
16 Adventure on the St. Lewis									
to Bengall				3007	10	74			
Mr. Draper ¼				751	29	58			
							2255	17	16

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17 ADVENTURE on y^e. Monm^o. to Bengall	1284	18	48			
M^r. Draper ¼	321	4	52			
				963	13	76
18 ADVENTURE on the Boone Frigat to Beng^ll.	2528	16	40			
M^r. Draper ¼	632	4	10			
				1896	12	30
			Pag^s.	269707	10	75

I FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. do by these presents certify and declare that the neat amount of the foregoing List of Adventures & Concerns in Shipping the foot whereof amounting to Pagodas two hundred sixty nine thousand seven hundred & seven, ten fanams and seventy five Cash is really and entirely upon my own proper Acco^t. and risque and that no Person is any ways concernd in any of the aforementioned Voyages or Adventures excepting such as are in the List excepted, any thing in the Invoices or Instructions to the Contrary notwithstanding.

Sign'd in the presence of FRANCIS HASTINGS.

GEORGE TULLIE
Not^ry. Publick.

I JOSHUA DRAPER do by these presents certifie & declare that I am no ways concern'd directly or indirectly any Sum or Sums of money in any Voyage or Adventures mention'd in this List excepting in such as therein express'd and do appear thereby, any thing in the Invoices or instructions to the Contiary notwithstanding.

Sign'd in the presence of JOSHUA DRAPER.

GEO: TULLIE
Not^ry. Publick.

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents that I Francis Hastings late Presid^t. of Fort S^t. George am held & firmly bound unto the Honble. United Company of Merch^ts. of England trading to the East Indies in the full & just sum of one hundred twenty four thousand one hundred and Fifty Pagodas, twenty one fanams and forty Cash for the true and lawfull payment of which Sum I hereby bind my self, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators and every of them unto the said United Company of Merchants or their Successors firmly by these Presents IN WITTNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort S^t. George aforesaid this 27th day of October 1721.

WHEREAS I the above bounden Francis Hastings do owe and am justly indebted unto the said United Company of Merchants in the full and just Sum of sixty two thousand and seventy five Pagodas, ten fanams and sixty Cash Currant of Fort S^t. George aforesaid being for so much wanting in their Cash at the delivery up of the Same for the better security and payment of which Sum I the s^d. Francis Hastings have mortgaged, assign'd and made over and do by these presents mortgage, assign and make over unto the said United Company of Merchants or their Successors All and every such Sum and Sums of money as now are or shall hereafter become due to me the said Francis Hastings for my concerns in the following Ships a List of which said Concerns I have sign'd a part (THAT IS TO SAY)

In the Ship TONQUEEN FACTOR to Tonqueen sixteen thousand five hundred twenty two Pagodas, fourteen fanams and thirty Cash.

In the Ship RICHMOND to Surat forty four thousand seven hundred & three Pagodas, twenty three fanams.

One third of the HASTINGS's Cargo (the whole being sixty thousand nine hundred & thirty, twenty two fanams, fifty eight Cash) twenty thousand three hundred and ten Pagodas, seven fanams, forty six Cash.

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In the Ship Mocha Galley to Mocha ten thousand eight hundred thirty eight Pagodas, fifteen fanams, fifty one Cash.

In the Ship Triplicane to Manilha eight thousand two hundred fifty four Pagodas, thirty two fanams, six Cash.

In the Ship Francis four thousand six hundred and six Pagodas, eighteen fanams, As likewise one Bulse of Diamonds seal'd with my own Seal valued at twenty thousand Pagodas To have and to hold unto the said United Company or their Successors the aforesaid Sum̃ or Sum̃s of money as now are or hereafter may become due to me the said Francis Hastings for my Concerns in the severall Ships as aforesaid as also in the said Bulse of Diamonds and it is hereby further Agreed that if the said Francis Hastings his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or assigns or any or either of them shall well & truely pay or cause to be paid unto the said United Company of Merchants or their Successors or to the President & Council of Fort S^t. George for the time being y^e. Sum̃ of twenty thousand Pagodas for the said bulse of Diamonds within the Space of one year after the date hereof that then the said Bulse shall be return'd.

Now the Condition of this obligation is such that if the abovebounden Francis Hastings his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the s^d. United Company of Merchants or their Successors or to the $Presid^t$. & Council of Fort S^t. George for the time being the full and just Sum of sixty two thousand and seventy five Pagodas, ten fanams and sixty Cash with what Interest shall become due thereon at the rate of eight ℘ Cent ℘ annum at or before the Space of one year from the date hereof then this obligation to be void and of no effect or else to remain in full force and Virtue.

Sign'd Seal'd & deliverd where no Stampt Paper is to be had, in y^e. presence of us,

Francis Hastings (looo sig.)

Richard Horden.

Joseph Houghton
Sec^{ry}.

George Tullie
Not^{ry}. Publick.

Aaron Franks.

Notwithstanding any thing mentioned before to the contrary I do hereby agree and oblige my self, my heirs, Executors and Administrators and every of them that upon the arrivall of any of the aforesaid Ships or adventures at this Port of Fort S^t. George the Same shall be immediately disposed of and the produce paid into the $Comp^{as}$. Cash and I do further agree and oblige my self not to give any orders concerning any of the Ships and Adventures herein before recited without y^e. privity and Consent of the Governour and Council.

Sign'd in the presence of us

Francis Hastings.

$Rich^D$. Horden.

Joseph Houghton
Sec^{ry}.

Geo: Tullie
Not^{ry}. Publ̃.

Aaron Franks.

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To M^R. THOMAS WRIGHT
OR TO EDWARD HARRISON ESQ^R.

S^RS.

You are hereby order'd to pay unto the Honble. Court of Directors for Affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies or to their assigns the full amount and produce of such part of ship Hastings's to Stock which Shall be transmitted to England on my Acco^t. pursuant to the orders given by me to Messrs. Hugh Campbell and Timothy Tullie Supra Cargoes of said Ship Hastings dated the 15th and to M^r. Thomas Wright dated the 19th. July 1721, and this shall be your warrant for so doing. IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal to three orders of this tenour and date one whereof being accomplish'd the others to become void and of no effect. Fort S^t. George this 27th. day of October 1721.

FRANCIS HASTINGS (loco sig)

SIGN'D, SEAL'D & EXECUTED
(where no Stampt Paper is to
be had) in the presence of us,

CHARLES ENGLISH.
WILLIAM WARDEN.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON
Secr^y.

GEORGE TULLIE
Not^ry. Publ.

KNOW ALL MEN by these Presents that I Francis Hastings late President of Fort S^t. George am held and firmly bound unto Thomas Cooke late Warehousekeep^r. of said place in the full & just Sum of one hundred sixty thousand four hundred & eighteen Pagodas, eight fanams, sixty four Cash for the true and well payment of which Sum I do hereby bind my self, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators and every of them unto the said Thomas Cooke firmly by these Presents IN WITTNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Fort S^t. George aforesaid this 27th. day of October 1721.

WHEREAS I the abovebound Francis Hastings do owe and am justly indebted unto the said Thomas Cooke late Warehousek^r. aforesaid in the full and just sum of eighty thousand two hundred and nine Pagodas, four fanams, thirty two Cash, with Interest from the time I rec^d. the Same at the rate of eight ℘ cent ℘ annum being for twenty nine Chests of Silver rec^d. out of the Honble. Company's Warehouse amounting to the aforesaid Sum, for the better Security & payment of which Sum with the Interest due I the said Francis Hastings have mortgag'd, assign'd & made over and do by these Presents mortgage, assign & make over unto the said Thomas Cooke, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns All and every such Sum & Sums of money that now are or hereafter shall be due to me the said Francis Hastings for my concerns in y^e. following Ships (THAT IS TO SAY) In the ARABIAN MERCHANT to Bengall and Surat nine thousand one hundred seventy eight Pagodas, fifteen fanams.

In the Ship BRITTANIA sixteen thousand forty three Pagodas, fifteen fanams, twenty Cash.

In the Ship LONDON six thousand five hundred & five Pagodas, thirty fanams, forty five Cash.

In the HAMPTON COURT seventeen thousand three hundred and sixty three Pagodas, thirty fanams, seventy Cash.

The Ship HASTINGS & two thirds of her Cargo sixty one thousand six hundred and twenty Pagodas, fifteen fanams, twelve Cash.

In the Ship HANNOVER thirteen thousand eight hundred sixty seven Pagodas, twenty four fanams.

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In the Ship Coventry to Malacca eight thousand six hundred and thirteen Pagodas, twenty nine fanams, forty three Cash.

In the Ship Munchu two thousand six hundred sixty five Pagodas, nineteen fanams & seventy three Cash.

In the Ship Chandos five thousand Pagodas.

In an Adventure on D°. fifteen hundred Pag^s^., twenty fanams & twenty Cash.

In the Ship S^T^. Lewis two thousand two hundred and fifty five Pagodas, seventeen fanams, sixteen Cash.

In the Ship Monmouth nine hundred sixty three Pagodas, thirteen fanams, seventy six Cash.

In the Ship Boone Frigat eighteen hundred ninety six Pagodas, twelve fanams, thirty Cash and in y^e^.

Kensington sixteen thousand nine hundred ninety six Pagodas, sixteen fanams, seventeen Cash.

To have & to hold the said Sum & Sums of money as now are or hereafter shall be due to me the s^d^. Francis Hastings for my Concerns in the Severall Voyages as aforesaid unto the said Thomas Cooke, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, Provided if the s^d^. Francis Hastings, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns shall pay or cause to be paid unto the s^d^. Thomas Cooke, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns the full and just Sum of eighty thousand two hundred and nine Pagodas, four fanams, thirty two Cash wth. the Interest aforementioned and the Interest of eight ℘ c^t^. ℘ annum at or before the Space of one year from the date hereof then this obligation to be void and of no effect or else to remain in full force and Virtue.

Signd, Seal'd & deliverd (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in y^e^. presence of us

Francis Hastings (*loco sig.*)

Richard Horden.

Joseph Houghton
Sec^ry^.

George Tullie
Not^ry^. Publ.

Aaron ffranks.

Notwithstanding any thing beforementioned to the contrary I do hereby agree and oblige my self, my Heirs, Executors, Administrators and every of them that upon the arrivall of any of the aforementioned Ships or Adventures at this port of Fort S^t^. George the same shall be immediately disposed of and the produce paid into the Company's Cash and I do further Agree & oblige my self not to give any orders concerning any of the Ships and Adventures herein before recited without y^e^. privity and Consent of the Governour & Council.

Francis Hastings.

Signd in the presence of us

Rich^d^. Horden.

Joseph Houghton
Sec^ry^.

George Tullie
Not^ry^. Publ.

Aaron Franks.

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I do hereby assign and make over all my right, Title & Interest in and to the within mention'd Voyages, Ships and Adventures unto the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies or their assigns for and in consideration of my debt to the sd. Honourable United Company amounting to eighty thousand two hundred & nine Pagodas, four fanams and thirty two Cash. IN WITTNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in FORT ST. GEORGE this 27th. day of October one thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

THO: COOKE. (*lo sig.*)

SIGN'D, SEAL'D & DELIVER'D
In the presence of us

RICHARD HORDEN.

JOSEPH HOUGHTON
Secry.

GEORGE TUILIE
Notry. Publ

AARON FRANKS.

Dispatch'd ꝑ Cossids a Genll. Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Fort William of yesterdays date to forward a Pacquet from the Honble. Court of Directrs. recd. ꝑ Ship Marlbrô. 30TH.

Dispatch'd ꝑ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay of yesterdays date to accompany a Pacquet from the Honble. Court of Directors. 30

Dispatch'd a Genll. Letter of yesterday's date to ye. Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam. —

Dispatchd. a Generall Letter of yesterdays date to the Depty. Governour & Council of Fort St. David. —

Ship Dartmouth Capt. Edwd. Elliston arrd. frõ. Bencoolen. NOVEMBR. 2

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

THURSDAY THE 2: NOVR.

A Pacquet from the Depty. Govern[our] & Council of Bencoolen being opened and the Papers in it examin'd and found to agree with the List, the Genll. Letter dated the 24th. of September was order'd to be read, also a Copy of the Honble. Court of Directors Letter to Bencoolen ꝑ Good Fellow dated the 14th. of September 1720 was also read.

ORDER'D that the Treasure aboard the Dartmouth belonging to the Honble. Company be forthwith landed.

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Order'd that Messrs. Emmerson, [Fowke], Hubbard and Dunster do examine M^{r}. Pyke's Consultations, Paymasters Acco^{t}. and Cash Acco^{t}. with expedi[tion] making all proper remarks and that they do [report] the same to this Board as soon as possible in [order] to a speedy dispatch of the George Brigantine [with] a Supravisor to examine into M^{r}. Pyke's managem^{t}. which upon a slight view seems very extravagant.

Order'd that the Bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep^{ty}. Governour & Council on this Presidency be accepted.

M^{r}. Joseph Walsh delivers in a request which is order'd to be read and enter'd after this Consultation desiring leave to lay down the Honble. Company's Service and go to England on the King George, as also that he may have a Certificate from the Accomptant that he does not stand indebted upon y^{e}. Gen^{ll}. Books.

Agreed that leave be given to M^{r}. Joseph Walsh to go to England on the King George [but] as we have no Acco^{ts}. from the West Coast by which we can discover whether M^{r}. Walsh is indebted or not, we cannot give him a Certificate as he desires.

Petition from Ensign Oliver that he may lay down the Service and go to England upon the King George read.

Agreed that his Petition be granted he paying Pag^{s}. 44. fa. 16 for his discharge.

Request from M^{r}. Horden which is enter'd after this Consultation, is Agreed to be consider'd on when the Board enters any Charge against him.

Messrs. Benyon, Oadham & Emmerson report that they have weigh'd and examin'd y^{e}. Treasure rec^{d}. ℘ Heathcote and Marlbrô and that it comes out right except ten ounces wanting in Chest N°. 370 bag N°. 1407 by the Marlbrô which is Agreed that we advise our Honble. Masters of in our Gen^{ll}. Letter, the said report is enter'd after this Consultation.

Report of the Military being deliverd in by the Lieutenants of the Garrison as enter'd hereafter,

Agreed that as the Garrison now is very weakly mann'd with Europeans that we advise our Honble. Masters thereof in the Generall Letter desireing such recruits as they shall think necessary.

Nathaniel Elwick President his Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Company's Cash from the 18th. Ult^{o}. read, Ballance Remaining Pag^{s}. 34910. 11. 17.

Order'd that the Paymaster be advanc'd 3000 Pag^{s}. to defray Charges Garrison.

That part of the West Coast Gen^{ll}. Letter relating to the Ostend Ship being a second time read and considerd of

Agreed that a Copy of said Letter as also a Copy of the Consultations be sent to our Hoñble Masters ℘ King George for their information as to that affair and that y^{e}. Twenty Chests of Treasure consign'd to this Presidency from M^{r}. Pyke be order'd ashore & Fort Marlbrô have credit for the Same.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand : ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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To the Honble. Nath[ll]. Elwick Esqr.
Presid[t]. & Govern[r]. &c[t]. Council of Fort S[t]. George.

Honble. S[r]. &c[t].

I humbly desire the Liberty of perusing the Consultations, Letters & other necessary Books or papers for the last two or three years past when I had the Honour to be of Council in y[s]. place in order to endeavour to justify my Conduct to the Hon[ble]. Company or to excuse my self for any errors.

I am
Hon[ble]. S[r]. & S[rs].
Yo[r]. most Obed[t]. Hum[ble]. Serv[t].
Rich[d]. Horden.

Fort S[t]. George
Nov[r]. 1. 1721.

To the Hon[ble]. Nath[ll]. Elwick Esq[r].
President & Govern[r]. &c[t]. Council of Fort S[t]. George.

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c[t].

Finding my affairs necessarily require my presence in England, I humbly request you will permit me to lay down the Service in order to go there by the first Ship which I am inform'd will [be] the King George and I pray you will sign an order to Cap[t]. Warden to receive me and my necessarys on board accordingly. I also pray you will give me a Certificate that I am not indebted to the Hon[ble]. Company upon the Generall Books and that you will please to recommend me in your Generall Letter to them that when my affa[irs] shall be setled they may permit me to return hither in their Service which I shall always highly esteem. I am with the utmost Esteem,

Hon[ble]. S[r]. &c[t].
Yo[r]. most Obedient Hum[ble]. Servant
Joseph Walsh.

Fort S[t]. George
30th. Oct[r]. 1721.

To the Hon[ble]. Nathan[ll]. Elwick Esq[r].
Presid[t]. & Govern[r]. of Fort S[t]. Geo[r].

Hon[ble]. S[r].

In obedience to your commands we here lay before you the State of the Military w[ch]. consists of 545 Men, Officers included, out of wch. number please to observe 245 are Europeans of whom we do with Concern assure you that a great part are infirm and 22 Topasses at Europe Centinell's pay for their former good services at Fort S[t]. David and else where, besides 278 other Topasses most of whom we were obliged to take in thô good for little because our Honble. Masters did not think fit to send out recruits and no better to be had.

The next thing we are to represent to you is the number of our Guards which are in all 18, eight of which are without the Walls and if our Garrison of 545 Men were all able good Men they would be by much insufficient even without any relief at all according to Military discipline considering the distance of our Guards one from the other, the many infirmitys Europeans are liable to in the hot Country and that our Men are always DIETED by some of themselves and consequently excused duty.

Should our Hon[ble]. Masters urge that we now have on our Muster Rolls near as many as formerly we humbly presume that the Consideration of eight Guards more to be maintain'd by the same number may sufficiently answer the objection.

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By this state we hope your Hon^{r}. will see the necessity of sending for Europeans when we assure you we have nothing else in view than the preservation of the happy establish'd Government and Garrison, We are with the greatest respect

Honble. S^{r}.

Your most Obedient and dutifull Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
30th. Octr. 1721.

Alexand^{r}. Fullerton.
Alex^{r}. Sutherland.
David Wilson.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govr. &c^{t}. Council of Fort S^{t}. George.

The Humble Petition of Richard Oliver

Sheweth

That your Petitioner having some affairs in England which require his presence desires that your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. would permit him to lay down the Honble. Company's Service and go home upon the King George and your Petitioner as in duty bound

Shall ever pray.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Governour of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{t}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.

Pursuant to your order we have opened the forty Chests of Treasure rec^{d}. by the Marlbrô and find ten ounces wanting in the Chest N°. 370, the bag 1407 weighing but 71 lbs. 10 oz instead of 72 lb. 8 oz y^{e}. weight of all the rest agrees with the Invoice.

We have likewise opened the 25 Chests of Treasure brought by the Heathcote design'd for Bengall, the Chests are number'd from 338 to 362.

24 Chests q^{t}. Duccatoons each Chest 290 lb. 8 oz is	83712 — —		
Allow^{s}. to be better 4½ is	1696 17 —		
			85408 17 —
One Chest q^{t}. Mexico Dollars ...			3488 — —
		Oz^{s}.	88896 17 —

which agrees exactly with the weight mentioned in the abstract of her Invoice for Fort William, the other 15 Chests N°. 393 to 407 agrees with the Invoice for this Place, We are

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.

Yo^{r}. most obed^{t}. Hum^{ble} Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
Octr. y^{e}. 4th. 1721.

Rich^{d}. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.

4 Rec^{d}. a Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 1st. Ins^{t}.

5 Rec^{d}. a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 2^{d}. Ins^{t}.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY NOV^{R}. 6TH.

NATHAN^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}.		
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.	RICH^{D}. BENYON.	CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.	RANDALL FOWKE.	JAM^{S}. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.		

Generall Letters from Fort S^{t}. David read dated the 1st & 2^{d}. Ins^{t}. with a List of Cloth embal'd as also an Acco^{t}. of what was in the Beaters & Washer's hands, that they hope to get ready by the 20th. of January next from 900 to 1000 bales, they also send up their Consultations from the last of January to the ꝑmo June, their Cash Acco^{t}. for last month Ball. remaining Pag^{s}. 4933. 13. 24 and their Merchants Acco^{ts}. therewith desiring a supply of Cash to pay their Merchants and to defray Charges Garrison both which Acco^{ts}. are deliver'd to the Accomptant to be examined.

Thomas Cooke late Exp^{t}. Warehousek^{r}. being sent for to the Board reads his Acco^{t}. to the 15th. of last month Ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 1907. 28. 48 which is orderd to be paid him.

Thomas Cooke Imp^{t}. Warehousk^{r}. his Acco^{t}. to the 15th. of last month read Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 77148. 2. 30 of which he pays into Cash 4061. 8. 25 (Pag^{s}. fa. Ca.) so that there remains due from him on Acco^{t}. of Silver sold Pag^{s}. 73086. 30. 5 for which he has given y^{e}. Board security.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine license pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 333. 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

Joshua Draper late Rentall Gen^{ll}. & Scaving^{r}. reads his Acco^{t}. for last year and pays into Cash the full of that Acco^{t}. Viz^{t}.

Acco^{t}. Quit Rent	82	18	—
Acco^{t}. Scavingers duty	59	21	15
Pag^{s}.	142	3	15

and informs the Board that there are yet standing out in bad debts Acco^{t}. of the Quit Rent Pag^{s}. 130. 1. -- and Acco^{t}. the Scavingers duty Pag^{s}. 84. 26 which is orderd to be wrote of as usuall.

M^{rs}. Diana Robson relict of Thomas Robson late Surgeon of this place offers the Board 8000 Pag^{s}. for which she desires an Interest Bond at 8 ꝑ Cent ꝑ annum, Which is accepted and it is ORDER'D that a Bond be drawn out accordingly.

M^{r}. Joseph Walsh pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 7000 for our 1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. Bill of Exchange on the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date payable to John Gore Esqr. or his order.

The President pays in Pag^{s}. 4000 for our 1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. Bill of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to M^{r}. John Elwick or his order Acco^{t}. M^{r}. James Elwick.

The President pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 5000 for our 1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. Bill of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to M^{rs}. Eliz : Payne Executrix of Capt. Samuel Payne dec^{d}. or her order.

Ensign Oliver pays into Cash Pag^{s}. 44. 16 for his discharge from the Military.

ORDER'D that 20,000 Pagodas be Sent to Fort S^{t}. David overland by Peons for paying their Merchants & to defray their Charges Garrison.

ORDER'D that 700 Pag^{s}. be advanc'd the Warehousek^{r}. to pay the Painters and Pag^{s}. 2000 for payment of the Dyers.

PETITION of Joseph Walsh (as enter'd after this Consultation) being read,

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P. f C mo da
ORDER'D that he be paid 67. 10. 16 being due to him for 3. 19 Salary from the time of his Suspension on the West Coast as Second at £s. 100 ⅌ annum to the time of arrivall here, As to his gratuity which he requests, the Board cannot comply therewith but agree to refer it to the Honble. Company.

The Import Warehousekeepr. reports that he has but 4093 bags of Salt Petre, The Dartmo. being arrived from the West Coast, Its observ'd by her Charter party that her whole Kentilage is to be in Salt Petre, the remainder will be barely sufficient to furnish Ships Heathcote, Marlbro and Dartmouth with what the Capts. may request.

AGREED that after the Dartmouth be supply'd with her Charterparty Kentilage of Salt Petre the remainder be divided between Ships Heathcote, Marlbro and Dartmouth agreeable to their sevll. requests And as it is necessary to have a further supply from the Bay,

AGREED that we write to the President & Council of Bengall to send us up by the first Conveyance 4000 bags.

ORDER'D that 20,000 Pagodas be paid Suncha Ramah &ct. Fort St. David Merchants on Accot. their running Contract.

In consideration that our Cash is very low at present We do therefore order that the Warehouse keeper do dispose of twenty Chests of Treasure for the most he can get not exceeding 14½ Dollers ⅌ 10 Pagodas.

Messrs. Emmerson, Fowke, Hubbard and Dunster according to order of last Consultation deliver in their report (as enter'd hereafter) of the examination of Mr. Pyke's paymaster's and Cash Accot. as also their remarks upon his management of the Honble. Compas. affairs on the West Coast whereupon it was debated whether by the said report it does not plainly appear that Mr. Pyke has broke the Company's orders & been very profuse and lavish in his Charges on the West Coast.

AGREED that by the said report it is very apparent that Mr. Pyke has in many instances acted directly contrary to the Honble. Company's positive orders and scandalously squander'd away their money and therefore it must be consider'd what method to take for security of the Company's West Coast Settlement.

AGREED that Mr. Pyke's Commission for Deputy Governour be revok'd, that he be suspended the Honble. Company's Service and that the same be signify'd to him in a Generall Letter with orders for him to return hither to answer to such Charge as shall be deliver'd him by this Board.

In Consultation of the 27th. Ulto. Mr. Thomas Dunster was appointed Supravisor, but the Dartmouth's arrivall since that time has given us so plain a View of Mr. Pyke's ill management and so much reason to beleive he will oppose any one sent from us, It is judg'd highly necessary to send Mr. James Hubbard who is one of this Board thither he having been formerly there and well acquainted with the nature of the place and agreeable to the People by which means should they use any opposition he is more likely to surmount such difficultys than one who is an entire Stranger there.

AGREED therefore that Mr. Jams. Hubbard do go Supravisor but as he was pretty much indispos'd when there before and is somewhat fearfull of not enjoying a better State of health now; We give him leave to return as soon as he has put the place in any tolerable order And that Mr. Dunster do go with him and succeed as Depty. Govr. when Mr. Hubbard leaves the place, he being the only Person we can think upon fit for that post either here or there who can undertake it.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

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TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CR. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CR.

In obedience to your Honr. &cas. order of Consultation of the 2d. of Novr. we have inspected the Books and Papers recd. from Mr. Pyke by the George Brigantine and Dartmouth; We shall first acquaint your Honr. &ct. what accots. we have to go upon and then make observations on them for your Honr. &ct. Consideration.

By the George Brig. which arrived in Jan: last was recd. a short Letter dated 26th. Decr. 1720 with a book of Consultations commencing the 11th. October and ending the 26th. Decr. in those Consultations we find the following Accots. read in Council of the 20th. Decr. but no mention when those Accots. begin or end except the Cash Accot. beginning Novr. the 10th. 1720.

The Honble. Compas. Cash Accot. ball. due to them	...	$ 4342	3	93
The Storekeeprs. Accot. Carrt. ball. due to the Compa.	...	109	3	56
The Steward's Do. Do.	...	33	2	92
The Warehousekrs. Do. Do.	...	832	2	12
The Paymastrs. Do. ball. due fro. the Compa.	...	998	2	25
The Pepper Godown keeprs. Do. due to the H. Compa.	...	42	—	—
The Residt. of Bentall's Do. Do.	...	865	3	48

By the Dartmo. a letter from Mr. Pyke & Council datd. 24th. Sepr. 1721, a book of Consultations commencing ℔mo. Febry. and ending the 17th. Sepr. his Paymasters Accots. from the 1st. Janry to the last of June and the Cash Accots. from Febry. to Ulto. June, these are all the Accots. recd. fro. him; We think it necessary here to observe that the Ballances mentioned in the Consultations recd. by ye. George Brigant. both of the Cash and other Accots. are not brot. forward and that the months of Janry. Febry. & March in the Paymasters Accot. are lump'd in one, the same also is done with the two first months in the Cash Accot. We take notice likewise that no Consultations are held from 26th. Decr. 1720 to the 1st. Febry. 1720/1, after havg. premised thus much we now proceed to our remarks on the Accots. & begin first with the Paymasters.

CHARGES GARRISON.

Under this head in the Accot. for Janry. Febry. & March we find Buggueeze Guard for Bencoolen amounts to $ 1536 wch. is 512 ℔ mensem in the year 1718 with which Accots. we have compared them, that Charge was about 271 Dollars a month, at Sillebar the Buggueeze Guard us'd to amount to about 66 $s. a month and in those Accots. is charg'd at $ 102 besides which he charges $ 83 ℔ mo. for Buggueeze at Oojang Carrang & King Cliff both which places are within the Bounds of Bencoolen, at Cattown he charges 74 ℔ mensem which used to be no more than 53. In Aprill his Accots. swell higher, the Buggueeze Guard at Bencoolen amounting to $ 638: at Soonga Lama to 174, Oojang Carrang 223, Sillebar 202 and at Cattown to 74, making in all 1371 wch. Guards (as beforementioned) amounted to no more than 370 Dollrs. in the year 1718. In May the Buggueeze Guard at Bencoolen amounted 503, at Kings Cliff and the Carrang 212, at Sillebar 263, at Cattown 74 and at Sunga Lama 98, making in all 1150 and here it is to be observ'd that the recruits from England were then arriv'd making with what were before in the Place above 200 Europe Centinells. It must be further noted that the Sums above charged were for Buggeeze kept in constant pay because on extraordinary Occasions of sending a party to the No. ward they charge $ 229 more for that expedition; In June the Charge is lessen'd, the whole Buggueeze Guard amounting to no more than $ 819 besides a Party sent to Cattown which amounts to $ 242. We find in this month five Gunners Mates, at $ 10 each and two Gunners at 20 each, whereas there used to be but one Gunner at 20 $ and his Mate at $ 10, An Engineer whose name he does not think

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proper to incert is paid $ 120 for service from ℔mo. Janry. to Ulto. June, we know of none sent either from England or this place and therefore it ought not to have been charg'd. We find a monthly charge of 3 Juretulis & 1 Jurebasse amots. to $ 32 besides what paid to Mr. Bayley as Linguist whereas formerly there never was more than one Juretulis if there was an English Linguist, otherwise but two; The Company's Letter from England mentions no more than one Lieutenant and one has been sent from this Place, yet Mr. Pyke in the months of May and June pays 4 & we have reason to beleive Mr. Cartwright the Gunner receives pay at Moco Moco as Lieutent. since we find him set down as such in the sick List, We shall add but one remark more on this head wch. is that the pay of the Buggueeze in Genll. is encreased, the Serjeants are now allowd 8 Dollars a month, the Corporall 6 and the Centinells 5, whereas in all the Fort Marlborough Accots. we have seen we find no more than 7 for the first, 5 for the second & 4 for the third, we cant deny but we find the like charge as Mr. Pyke's in the Moco Moco Accots. but must leave it to your. Honr. &cts. determination whether it be reasonable.

Charges Diet.

This head in generall is very extravagant and therefore for a clearer view of it we have transcrib'd the allowances for the month of Aprill wch. are continued thrô all the Accots.

The Wll. Is: Pyke Esqr. for his table	$ 300	—	—
Mr. Shelley 2d.	30	—	—
his Wife	15	—	—
Mr. Bailey, Secry. Factor	30	—	—
Mr. Bemboe Do.	18	—	—
Mr. Crundall Do.	18	—	—
Mr. Cartwright, Gunner	18	—	—
Do. as Master of Arms	6	—	—
Mr. Chatalier, Doctor	18	—	—
	453	—	—
Peter Hayer, Doctrs. Mate	15	—	—
Edward Nicholls, Carpenter for 4 months $ 72 is ℔' mo.	18	—	—
	486	—	—
Besides 9 men & 3 Women Slaves employ'd in the Cook room &ct.	46	2	—
	$ 532	2	—

We shall now set down one month's allowance in Mr. Cooke's time which were approv'd of by the Company.

Charges Diet for ye. mo. of Janry. 1718	$ 421	—
Charges Slaves 6 men & 2 women	31	—
Add what the Compa. allow more to a D. Govr.	150	—
	$ 602	—

The Persons then receiving Diet money were the Dep: Govr., 4 of Council, 10 Factors, 6 Writers, 2 Lieutenants, 2 Carpenters & their 3 Apprentices who by agreement made in England were to be allow'd their diet. If the Persons who had a right to the Table in the other List were put down at the Same rates as in Mr. Cooke's time, they will Stand as follows.

Mr. Pyke Depty. Govr.	190	—
Mr. Shelley 2d.	25	—
Factors 3 @ 15 eã.	45	—
A Surgeon	8	—
A Carpenter	4	—
	272	—

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Add the Allowance of Slaves

to the Dep^{ty}. Govr.	2	men Slaves.	
to the 2^{d}. of Council	1	D^{o}.	
to y^{e}. 3 Factors	1	D^{o} amongst them	
	—		
	4 men Slaves @ 4 ℔' m^{o}.	... ...	16 —
			$ 288 —

he charges likewise 9 $ a month for table Linnen so that in this article alone he Spends monthly $ 253. 2. more than the Company allow wch. is ℔ annum $ 3042 : he also allows the Europe Capt^{s}. each 30 a month whereas the 150 a month which the Company gives the Dep^{ty}. Governour over and above his 40 Dollars a month was purely to enable him to keep a table for the Cap^{ts}. and other better sort of Strangers as ℔ their Letter by the Good Fellow (which he then rec^{d}.) will appear. It must be observ'd in M^{r}. Pyke's favour that he does not allow the Lieutenants diet mony & hav^{g}. no Storek^{rs}. Acco^{ts}. we know not what Quantity of Liquors or whether any at all be allow'd ; your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will remark that M^{r}. Shelley receives diet money for him self and his wife and that because M^{r}. Cartwright is Gunner and Master of Arms he is therefore allow'd Diet for both.

Charges Merchandize.

We find 6 Dollars a Tombongon charg'd throughout the Acco^{ts}. for unloading the Ships, the Company complain greatly of this when they lay out of the road and M^{r}. Pyke & Council in his Letter to your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. acquaints you that he has brought all the Ships [&] Vessells except the two great ones into the Carang or Bay wch. is not $\frac{1}{4}$th of the distance & gives the saving expences in this heavy article to the Honble. Company among the reasons which induc'd them to it.

Charges Extraordinary.

We find this article amount in Janry. Feb : & March to 3689. 7. 90 of which 604. 3 is paid M^{r}. Chatalier for his expences at Bencoolen before the Gov^{rs}. arrivall wch. seems to be very extravagant & what we can make no judgment of as we do not know for how long time he had been there but suppose it to be purposely conceal'd. Another part of that Charge was for $ 2351 given away in presents, the greatest part of the things given are valued at excessive prices, particularly Damask at $ 30 Dollars a piece & Ginghams without specifying of what sort at $ 8 ℔ piece, Surat Chints at 4, Attlass at 40, Embroyder'd Sattin at 80, Gold Chints at 30 & Chints by the other distinction appearing to be of the common Sort 10 Dollars a piece with Syrashes at 4, upon which we must observe that $ 700 is the most we can find to have been given away on a new Gov^{rs}. arrivall, tho Something more may be allowd on this extraordinary occasion. In the month of Aprill is chargd $ 175 under this head wch. appears not very extraordinary except 24 paid for the maintenance of 10 Military Men who came on the Good Fellow & $ 40 advanc'd Capt. Luckey & his Men for rice, these as well as the Military men being in the Company's pay ought not to have been allow'd anything extraordinary. In the month of May Charges extraordinary amounts to 820. 1, of which Sum 386 are paid for the maintenance of 138 Men for 14 days at 12^{s} ℔ day who came on the Addison & Dartmouth. In the month of June this head amounts to 452. 2, of which 170. 2 were paid Capt. Hicks & Capt. Carter for expences on Acco^{t}. the Soldiers at the Cape.

Charges Slaves.

We find charg'd in the three first months for cloathing 62 Slaves $ 245, the greatest part of which is of Cambays at 50 Dollars a Corge. In Sepr. 1718, 346 Slaves were cloath'd for 372. 3. 61 so that had M^{r}. Pyke cloath'd the like number it would have amounted at his rate to about 1367 Doll^{rs}.

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Carpenters & Smiths.

He charges under this head in Jan. Feb. & March \$ 2659 for workmen among wch. are 4 head at 2 Sucas a day & 240 und^{r}. Jukans at Su. Ca. 1. 50 a day whereas there never used to be above one jukan at 2 Sucas a day and not above 506 under ones at Su. Ca. 1. 50 A day, In Aprill this head amounts to \$ 1251. 2, in May to 1241 & in June to 597. 2, in all wch. months he has not given the particular number of head workmen or Cooleys but there appears a much greater Sum̃ paid to the head workmen than was ever known in proportion to the under workmen & occasions a great part of the encrease under this head.

Materials for building.

We find most of the particulars under this head charg'd at a much higher rate than they were in 1715 and Shall give your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. an Instance of it in the following

	Inches		D.	su.	Ca.	
Timbers of	9	are charg'd here at \$	2.	—.	—	ꝑ [T] in 1718 \$ 1. —. 80.
D^{o}.	6		1.	2		3. 20.
D^{o}.	4		1.			2. 60
Bamboos ꝑ 100			2.	2		2. —.
Timbers of 10 Inches			3			

not brought in before that we can find by those Books we have to compare with, he charges for cleaning & bringing brick to the Carrang 3 Dollars a thousand, we are inform'd they are those that belong'd to York Fort pull'd down & clean'd in M^{r}. Cooke 's time & it was then agreed they should be brought from thence to Marlbrô ready cleaned for three Dollars a thousand, y^{e}. charge of pulling down & cleaning was then a Dollar & a half a thousand & the other Dollar & half designd for carryage so that this charge being only for carryage we think very extravagant.

Perry Brigantine.

We find in the Paymasters Acco^{ts}. for Jan : Feb : & March 1200 Dollars chargd for freight & Demorage & 400 Dollars a month continued in Aprill, May or June, and have reason to beleive it is still kept on ; She sail'd from hence the 31st. Octr. and carried Stores to the amo^{t}. of Pag^{s}. 2042. 7. 24 which were of sorts that could not half fill her & is all the Service She has done except one trip to Batavia, his reasons for sending her there are express'd in the Consultation of the 18th. Aprill & that your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. may judge of what force those reasons are we here incert them.

" The Honble. Company having order'd in their Gen^{ll}. Letter by the Good
" Fellow to get Teak Timbers frõ Java and this Place being in want of severall
" necessarys procurable at Batavia we judge it highly necessary to send a Vessell
" hither to purchase said things and the Good Fellow being not yet unloaded for
" want of proper room to take in her Stores, the Metchlepatam at Sillebar taking in
" Pepper & the Derby at Moco Moco to bring away Timbers & Slaves from thence,

" Order'd that the Perry Brigantine be continued in the Service and that
" M^{r}. Chatalier be appointed to go and purchase her Cargo of such things as the
" Company have already order'd and besides a large Quantity of rice with some
" Arrack.

On her return She brought in Stores according to her Invoice to the amount of \$ 4886.—.66 upon wch. we think it necessary to make the following remarks. Arrack fifty five Leaguers charg'd at thirty Rix Dollars a Leaguer is a dearer price than we have ever heard it was at Batavia, Teak Timbers, rice, which is y^{e}. pretence alleadg'd for sending thither, she brings of the former but 20 pieces and 100 Plank and not a bag of the latter, Other Articles of the Invoice are Viz^{t}. House Furniture amounting to \$ 307. 2. 46 consisting cheifly of Plate for the Dep^{ty} Governour's use, a Coach with Package charg'd at \$ 452. 3. 20, Tea to the amount of 790. 3. 40

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cost most of it 1 $^1/_1$ rix dollars and 2 rix dollar a Catty and Commission of five ⅌ Cent is drawn by M^r. Chatalier on the foot of the Invoice whilst at the same time all his Allowances at Bencoolen are continued.

We find in the Moco Moco Consultation of the 16th. December 1720 severall Stores bought for the use of the Garrison amounting to $ 5502 in severall of which no quantitys at all are set down and all of them charg'd at extravagant rates, the List as follows.

		s	d			
Salted Pork 28 Casks @ $ 60 ⅌ Cask is				$ 1680	—	—
D°. Beef 1 Puncheon				90	—	—
Gee butter 14 Jars				210	—	—
Fine rice 200 bags @ $ 3 ⅌ bag				600	—	—
Wheat 75 D°. @ 5 D°				375	—	—
Fine wax Candles 10 ^{mds}. @ 30 ⅌ m^d.				300	—	—
Madera wine 1 Pipe				107	—	—
English beer 3 Puncheons				130	—	—
Bengall bread 2 Sars				20	—	—
Gingham Suits, Caps, Westcoats & Breeches for forty Blacks at $ 3 ⅌ Suit				120	—	—
Gunny double 25 Corge @ $ 3 ⅌ Corge				75	—	—
				3707	—	—
Sundry Goods & other necessarys offer'd to Sale by the Deputy Govr. being all the household Goods late of that house in Madrass call'd the Bencoolen Factory amounting to	£ 328	4	—			
Sundry D°.	68	5	—			
Plate	52	6	—			
	£s. 448	15	—	$ 1795	—	—
				$ 5502	—	—

In the same Consultation they order $ 116. 2 to be paid to Capt. Charlton for 4 Chests of Syrash and other Provisions spent in their voyage to Moco Moco tho M^r. Pyke was advanc'd Pag^s. 250 for liquors and fresh provisions for himself and the Gentlemen who went with him, the Warehousek^r. likewise delivers a list of Presents which is order'd to be paid amounting to $ 522 : in which Taffitys are charg'd, the first Sort at $ 10 ⅌ p^s. and the second Sort at $ 8 ⅌ piece and the other Goods at extravagant prices, the Company have taken notice of some of these Species when they were not charg'd so high and have expressly forbid them in severall of their Letters, particularly in that by the Craggs Frigot of which M^r. Pyke could not be ignorant.

In his Cash Acco^t. of the 20th. July [1720 he] charges £^{s}. 300 a year Salary as Deputy Governour computing it from the 8th. of October 1719 the time [he] arriv'd at Batavia in the Craggs & $ 33. 1. 33 monthly in the Paymaster's Accots as Captain of the Military wch. makes another £100 a year whereas the Honble. Company allow no more than £100 ⅌ annum as Deputy Govern^r., 100 as Capt. & 100£ they reserve to give him as a Gratuity if they approve his management.

We cant help observing what M^r. Pyke says towards the end of his letter that the Expence [at] Marlbro and Moco Moco is about 9000 Dollars ⅌ m°. that all the English Soldiers & Buggueeze Officers are paid in money, the Buggueeze in half Cloth, half money Salary Wages & Allowances in money, some few of the Materialls and Cheif Malay Workmen in mony and the rest in Cloth, making as he computes $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Expence in money & $\frac{1}{4}$ part in Cloth, the 9000 Dollars monthly charges of the Coast, in his reckoning (thô in reality it will appear to much more) makes 108000 Dollars ⅌ annum of which $\frac{1}{4}$ part amounting to $ 27000, is paid in

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Cloth, how little of this Cloth was the Company's may be judg'd in that there was sent from hence no more last year than 12 bales amounting to Pagodas 519. 30 and that the rest were brought there and paid away at those excessive prices the Company so much complain of appears plainly from the only Warehousekeeper's Acco^t^. Current we have where we find cloth deliver'd out no doubt to the Paymaster at the following price.

		$	
Long Cloth Ord^ry^. white	... ... at	90 ℔	Corge
D°. Blew ½ pieces	... ...	80 ℔	D°.
Sallempores D°.	... ...	70 ℔	D°.
D°. White	... ...	50 ℔	D°.

most part of which must have been brought there, because the Bales beforementioned consisted of Longcloth & Cambays only and we must observe only here that the Company in their 26th. Paragraph by the Good fellow renew their complaints of these extravagancys and positively order that nothing but money shall be paid for Materialls and Workmanship.

We shall close this report with laying before your Hon^r^. &c^t^. an Acco^t^. of the money M^r^. Pyke has rec^d^. since his Arrivall on that Coast.

Ballance rec^d^. of M^r^. Walsh Novr. 10. 1720	$ 9808	—	63
deduct the Storekeep^rs^. Ball for Sepr. p^d^. by him	1369	1	70
	8438	2	93
Three Chests of Silver ℔ the Metchlepatam wch. he brings to Acco^t^. in March making	11958	3	42
In Aprill by the Good fellow 5 Chests amount^g^.	19931	1	71
In May by Ships Addison & Dartmouth 10 chests amounting to ...	39862	3	42
	80191	3	48
Bills of Exchange drawn on y^e^. Presidency by the George Brigant amount to	14713	—	—
	94904	3	48
deduct the Ballance of Cash in June	17964	—	99
	76940	2	49

So that in 7 mo. 20 da. there appears to have been expended in money, Wares and Stores sent y^m^. by the follow^g^. Vessells

Ship Metchlepatam ... ... Pag^s^.	3668	20	28			
Brigant Young Derby	1108	16	33			
Brig. Perry	2042	7	24			
Pag^s^.	7819	8	5			
is $	10228	3	31			
℔ Dartm°. £ 2530 5 s. 7 d. @ 5 s. ℔ $ ...	10081	—	46			
				20309	3	8
To wch. if you add the Bills of Exch^a^. drawn by this Ship ...				29125	—	—
& the Ball in June before deducted				17964	—	99
So that there appears to have been rec^d^. by him in Money, Stores & Wares				144339	2	56

Besides what Goods and Stores may have been received by the Addison and Good Fellow which we know not the amount of, having neither of their Invoices. M^r^. Pyke in his Letter computes to have money enough left to bear all charges till

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February but if [we] may judge what his expences will be by his disbursements in the first seven months twenty days there will not appear to be enough remaining for above four months which will compleat his 12 months at near the Sum̃ above mentioned.

We shall make this one remark more before we conclude, that the Military that arr^{d}. [on] the Good fellow the [*lacuna*] of Aprill were paid for that whole month as were those by the Addison and Dartmouth for the month Succeeding thô the one arrived the [21st.] and the other the 22^{d}. of the month.

Thus have we laid before your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. all we could collect in so short a time from irregular and confus'd Consultations and imperfect Accounts and Submit the whole to your Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. Consideration.

We are

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{r}.

Your most Obed^{t}. Servants

John Emmerson.

Rand^{ll}. Fowke.

James Hubbard.

Fort S^{t}. George

Novr. 6. 1721.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.

Presid^{t}. & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{r}.

I not having received any Salary for my Service on the West Coast from the 20th. Octr. 1720 to the time of my Suspension by M^{r}. Pyke pray you will please to order the payment thereof and as that Suspension was deem'd by the Hoñble Board unjust and unwarrantable and was thereon pleas'd to reinstate me in the Hoñble Company's Service I humply hope you will also please to order me Salary for that time with allowance for diet &c^{t}. as has been usuall in Such like case.

And whereas I had the honour to command as cheif of the Honble. Company's Settlements on the West Coast from the 2^{d}. of Aprill 1720 to the 20th. October following, during which time I discharg'd that trust with integrity and Zeal for their Interest to the best of my Ability and my conduct therein having been entirely approv'd hitherto makes me presume to address your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. for the gratuitous Salary our Honble. Masters are so kind to allow to Such in that Station as are thought deserving.

I am with all Submission

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{r}.

Your most Obed^{t}. Servant

Joseph Walsh.

Fort S^{t}. George

1st. Novr. 1721.

Dispatch'd ℘ Peons a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated 8th.
the 7th. Ins^{t}. to forward a Pacquet to the President & Council of Fort William with a Gen^{ll}. Letter of yesterdays date.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY THE 10TH.

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
NATHANLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

Mr. Francis Hugonin pays into Cash Pagodas fifteen thousand for first, second and third bill of Exchange on the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date payable to himself or order.

The late President Mr. Hastings sends the Board an order to Mr. Jarvis Clerke & Capt. John Mackmath at Surat to remit by Bill of Exchange the produce of Ship Richmond's Cargo to the Presidt. and Council of this place upon his Accot. copy whereof is enterd after this Consultation, And the Originall is order'd to be sent immediately to the Cheif and Council of Surat desiring them to assist the sd. Messrs. Jarvis Clerke and John Mackmath in the performance of the same.

Generall Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors designd to go ℘ Ship King George is now read.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mint Master reads his Accot. for last month Ballance paid in Pags. 10. 15. 10 and rupees 97. 4 deliver'd the Warehousekeeper.

The Surgeon's place at the West Coast being vacant by the death of Doctr. Hopkins

AGREED that Mr. John Moore who came from Europe on the Stretham and was set ashore at Columbo and is since arrived here be entertaind as Surgeon for the West Coast & orderd to get himself in a readiness to go thither on the George Brigantine.

Mr. James Hubbard Storekeepr. being appointed Supravisor of the West Coast

Its ORDER'D that Mr. Randall Fowke do act as provisionall Storekeepr. during Mr. Hubbard's absence.

Mr. Joseph Paget Minister for Bengall being obliged to Stay here till January desir'd us to advance him 6 months Salary which is AGREED to and order'd to be paid him and that Bengall Presidency be debted for the Same.

N. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO MESSRS. JARVIS CLERKE & CAPT. JOHN MACKMATH
SUPRA CARGOES OF SHIP RICHMOND.

SRS.

Upon receipt hereof I would have you remit by bill of Exchange upon the best terms you can the produce of as much of the Cargo as you have disposed of to the Honble. the Presidt. & Council of this place upon my Accot. and risque with the utmost Expedition.

I am
SRS.
Your very humble Servt.
FRANCIS HASTINGS.

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To Messrs. Clerke & Mackmath.

S^{rs}.

Hav^{g}. assignd over to M^{r}. Hastings my half part of the Ship Richmond & Cargo his single order to you for remitting the produce of the latter you may deem sufficient.

I am

S^{rs}.

Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}.
9th. Novr. 1721.

Your very hum^{ble}. Servt.

Joshua Draper.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govern^{r}.
Nath^{ll}. Turner. Rich^{d}. Benyon. Catesby Oadham. — Sunday the 12th.
John Emmerson. Rand$^{'l}$. Fowke. James Hubbard.
George Drake.

The Generall Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date to go by Ship King George sign'd, also read & sign'd a Letter to the Governour and Council of S^{t}. Helena of the same date to inclose Invoice & Bill of Lading for Sundry Wares & Stores laden on the King George for the use of said Island amot^{g}. to Pag^{s}. 196. 22. 50. Capt. William Warden's dispatches were likewise read and sign'd.

The Accomptant having cast up the bills of Exchange drawn on us by the Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. & Council of the West Coast, ꝑ Ship Dartmouth accepted the 2^{d}. Ins^{t}. and now due are order'd to be paid, The Bills are as follow.

	Pag^{s}.	fa.	Ca.
One Bill dat^{d}. 14th. Sepr. given Sam^{ll}. Fowler for 8000 Doll^{rs}. pay^{a}. to Joshua Draper at 15 D ꝑ 10 Pagodas amounts to	5333	12	—
One Bill dat^{d}. 14th. Sepr. given Sam^{ll}. Fowler for D^{rs}. 10000 pay. to Joshua Draper @ 15 D ꝑ 10 P is	6666	24	—
One bill dat^{d}. 14 Sepr. given Sam^{ll}. Fowler pay to Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr. for Do^{rs}. 7000 @ 15 D ꝑ 10 Pag^{s}. ...	4666	24	—
One Bill dat^{d}. [*lacuna*] Sepr. given Capt. Peter Nangle for 1000 D^{lls}. pay^{a}. to Capt. John Gough or ord^{r}. at 15 D ꝑ 10 Pagodas	666	21	—
One Bill dat^{d}. [*lacuna*] Sepr. given Isaac Pyke & Capt. Jo: Badman for Doll^{rs}. 3125 pay. to M^{r}. Randall Fowke @ 15 ꝑ 10 Pag^{s}.	2083	12	—
Pag^{s}.	19416	24	—

The late President pays into Cash Pagodas twenty thousand Acco^{t}. of his debt.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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13TH. The Capt. of the King George having yesterday in [ye.] afternoon recd. his Dispatches was this morning to take his leave of the Presidt. who went with him to the Sea Gate to see him off; But the Surf running very high he could not get over but hop'd for meeting with an opportunity in the Afternoon but the Wind & Weather increas'd rather than abated and growing very thick to the NE as the evening approach'd rain came [on] and Wind in greater abundance which prevented [him] from going off that night.

14TH. All last night and this day the Wind and rain continued with more violence than yesterday & increas'd towards noon to a great Storm, the rapidity of the waters out of the Country was so great that it broke two of our bridges, that next to the Fort and the other on the road towards Triplicane, [At] the former of these there was at least 2 foot fall which must be a prodigious strain to so small a bridge and as to the other it was hardly dry so consequently the more liable to this disaster, the whole Island was overflow'd & nothing all round us to be seen but Water, Tops of hedges and trees, the rains & floods have carried away most of the Macquaw & Poor People's houses in the Suburbs of Madrass. The weather at one a clock in the Afternoon was so thick & hazey that we could not see a stones cast round us and notwithstanding we are extreemly alarm'd at frequent firings from the Ships [in] the road all this afternoon, yet we cannot do any thing for the security either of our Honble. Masters Goods, Ships or Treasure, the Surf flying quite up to the Gates & impossible for almost any thing to live upon the Sea.

15TH. This morning the Wind began to abate & the weather to clear up, but on our looking out into the road We could perceive only one Ship remaining wch. in the Afternoon [we] heard was the Heathcote, The Cheif Mate writes ashore that the Brigantine he had not seen all yesterday nor the King George or Dartmouth since that day at noon. As for the Marlbrô she drove about 5 in the Afternoon & he judg'd that Ship which was then at an Anchor within half a mile of the Surf off St. Thoma to be her, Capts. Elliston, Warden, Crossing and Mr. Bates Cheif Mate of the Marlbrô desired Horses to go down & see her, & look if any more were to be seen to the Southward but after all that they could do, t'was impossible for them to get over the river so they were oblig'd to return, We endeavour'd immediately after that to send off Anchors and Cables to the Marlbrô who made frequent signalls of Distress but the Boat we put the Cable into (& in wch. the Cheif Mate was going) fill'd and split to pieces, however we with much ado got off a Cable that Afternoon & the Cheif Mate went aboard, as soon as he was there he hoisted his Ensign in the fore Shrouds, the signall agreed upon in case of another Ship in distress below them, but notwithstandg. all that we could do we were obliged to defer sending an Anchor till the next morning.

We also order'd 3 Boats to be got ready & 7 soldiers to go in each boat. Capts. Warden, Elliston and Crossing whose Ships & Brigantine were missing went one in each of them but an Accident prevented that (wherein Capt. Warden was) from proceeding which was her oversetting by which misfortune a Serjeant and three men were drowned.

The Honble. President in the morning perceiving the Ships were missing dispatch'd 100 Peons to the Southward along the Sea side to see if any Wrecks came ashore but the rivers being so very deep and rappid & the Country undr. water that the Peons could not pass so that had not any intelligence till the 17th. in the afternoon from the Cheif of Covelon; however t'was judg'd necessary to have an Accot. of the abovementioned signall in order to send the men as before related, Capt. Crossing who was in the first Boat that went off that evening when he got aboard the Marlbrô fir'd one Gun which was agreed to be done if the Signall on the fore Shrouds in the evening was not a mistake.

A Letter from Capt. Tolson's cheif Mate to him of this days date giving an Accot. of the Storm is here under enter'd—

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HEATHCOTE NOV^{R}. 15TH. 1721.

CAP^{T}. TOLSON.

S^{R}.

These are to inform you that the Ship has met with no further misfortune than the loss of the Long Boat and the parting of our small Bower Cable thô I must confess it is less than expected. It is impossible to relate the extremity of Weather we had, as to the Ships I cant tell further of them then that Ship to the Southward of S^{t}. Thoma I take to be y^{e}. Marlbrô, the Dartm^{o}. I see drive yesterday in the afternoon, the Weather coming on so thick saw no more of her, the King George I saw yesterday noon, the Brigantine we saw nothing of which impute to the thickness of the weather at that time but heartily wish they may be well which I much doubt, the King George she being a very pester'd Ship or indeed the rest I cannot see what they could do by going to Sea with the wind at N E & N E B E and such a grown sea.

I am

S^{R}.

Your most Humble Servant

ROGER HALE.

The Honble. President rec^{d}. a Letter from Capt. Ellis[ton] on board the Marlbrô acquainting us She rode in [...] fathom water and that since 8 a Clock Tuesday morning [she] had seen neither of the other Ships but she had lost [4 an]chors & had only their Sheet Anchor left, but that they [h]ad one of the Companys stock't & desired Timber to stock a[no]ther and a large Cattamaran to carry their Anchors [out] to warp further off shore, The Presid^{t}. forthwith sent them an Anchor of ℔ 25 weight ready stock't on a large Cattamaran according to their desire & they immediately got out in deeper water & now she is very safe. 16th.

Capt. Tolson also communicated to us a Letter that he rec^{d}. from his Mate as enterd hereafter, importing th[at] the Ship labour'd prodigiously during all that Hurricane which has forc'd all the Okham out of her upper works, that they rode almost under water which had damaged very much their Provisions, that their Sheet Cable & best bower were both rubb'd very much and the outward Cable to the best bower Anchor very bad, that she had workt down all the Cabins in the Steerage and the bulk head & broke all their hen coops to pieces.

Late at night the President rec^{d}. a Letter from Cap^{ts}. Elliston and Crossing 2 miles off Covelon importing they had met nothing like a Wreck in their way but a long Boat & David wch. they beleiv'd belong'd either to the Marlbrô or Heathcote.

Two letters from Capt. Tolsons cheif Mate to him of this days date are enterd hereafter.

CAP^{T}. TOLSON, HEATHCOTE NOV^{R}. 16. 1721.

S^{R}.

This is to let you know the damage we have rec^{d}. more than what wrote you before, the Ship in the Gale labourd very much insomuch that she has spew'd all the Okham out of her Seams from the Water way to the toes of the Standard, as we rode almost und^{r}. water have had a great deal gone done below which has damag'd some bread and most part of the Stock fish have been forc'd to heave over board. We have also a very bad rub in the Sheet Cable about 10 fathom from the Splice and the like in the best bower wch. will be convenient to cut off if you think fit, being not fit to trust the Ship by if should meet with more bad weather (wch. God forbid the like again), the outward best bower looks very ragged & indifferent, the Ship has work't

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down all the Cabbins in the Steerage almost and almost all the Pannells in the round-house, and the Bulk head and all the hencoops in generall so that we have as much work as our Carpenters can turn their hands too, have sent the Caulkers Mate ashore & two more, I am

S[R].

Your most Humble Servant

ROGER HALE.

CAP[T]. TOLSON.

S[R].

This evening about 7 a clock rec[d]. an order from the Gov[r]. & Council directed to you or the Cheif Officer on board to forthwith without loss of time to get the Ship in order to go down to the Dartm[o]. wreck something to the N[o].ward of Sadrass or off the seven Pag[s]. therefore according to your former order to comply with Such ord[rs]. I am now rigging the Ship to get her in order to proceed which hope will not be contrary to your pleasure.

I am

S[R].

½ AN HOUR AFTER 7 AT NIGHT — Your most Hum[ble]. Servant

NOVEM[R]. 16th. 1721. — ROGER HALE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY THE 17TH. ½ AN HOUR AFTER 1

NATHAN[LL]. ELWICK ESQ[R]. PRESID[T]. & GOVERNOUR.
NATH[LL]. TURNER. RICH[D]. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RAND[LL]. FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

A Letter from Cap[t]. Elliston from Ship Marlbrô dated the 16th. Ins[t]. in the morning read as enter'd in a particular book apart for this affair, also a Letter from Cap[ts]. Edward Elliston and William Crossing dated at 3 a clock yesterday in the afternoon and rec[d]. about 12, wch. is also enter'd in said book.

The President acquaints the Board that by Peons sent from hence he rec[d]. advice about noon from the Cheif of Covelon that a Ship is drove ashore about 8 miles to the southward of said Place and y[t]. 5 Chests and 20 Europeans are come ashore & seiz'd by the Moors but what Ship is stranded the Peons could not tell the name of.

AGREED that the Heathcote be forthwith order'd under sail to the wreck, that 20 Europeans and Cap[t]. Sutherland be sent upon her to protect the wreck with 10 Lascars and ammunition as also 60 Spare Arms for the Ships Company with all other necessarys and as many Mussoolas as can be Spar'd together with such as we can borrow from S[t]. Thoma. 14 Europeans are already at Covelon under command of Cap[ts]. Elliston and Crossing, as also 20 Lascars.

AGREED that the President do from time to time dispatch assistance and give such orders as he shall find necessary to the Wreck without calling a Council which might delay time when the exigency of affairs will not allow it.

AGREED that M[r]. John Lauder do go upon the Heathcote and keep an exact Acco[t]. of what Goods may be sav'd belonging to the Company, that Cap[ts]. Tolson,

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Elliston, Warden, M^{r}. John Lauder, Capt. Crossing & Lieutenant Sutherland do consider and debate from time to time the most necessary transactions for the security of the wreck and the Company's Effects advising us frequently thereof.

Capt. Joseph Tolson being sent for and acquainting the Board his Ship could not possibly get ready to sail before sunday morning it was then agreed y^{t}. to Stay so long and not send further Assistance of Military force to Cap^{ts}. Elliston and Crossing to protect themselves and the wreck from any insults wch. might be offer'd by the Moors might be of very ill consequence in relation to the Security of our People and the Wreck, wherefore the Board RESOLV'D forthwith to send away four Mussoolas to their aid, Viz. one Mussoola wth. Lascars and the other three with Ensign Francis Rush, a Serjeant and 12 Europeans which together with what Capt. Elliston had before and what is order'd with Capt. Sutherland on the Heathcote we judge will be sufficient force to cover the Wrecks as the Heathcote will be of great countenance to them.

The Warehousek^{r}. reports that He cannot open and examine the forty Chests of Treasure come on shore from the Dartmouth (twenty five of which are mark'd wth. the Companys mark & fifteen with the Bencoolen mark) for want of one of the Keys of the Warehouse which he had deliver'd to Capt. Elliston as customary till the Treasure is examin'd.

Concerning the twenty Chests of Treasure which remain'd in the Dartmouth the Board think fit to add, That Ship arriving the 2^{d}. Ins^{t}. at noon the next day 12 Boats with Gunners Buoys & Buoy ropes were sent for the Treasure, five of which return'd with 25 Chests, of the other 7 boats some could not reach the Ship and the rest so late they were return'd empty. From that day the Surf was too dangerous to send for the Treasure and the Boatmen refus'd to go till the 10th. when the Boats were overset in the surf. But the 11th. 7 boats were sent off to bring ashore the remainder, 3 return'd wth. 15 Chests, the other four did not reach the Ship before late at night and were therefore return'd empty. The 12th. & 13th. no Boats could be sent off, the Surf being too high and the Current without too strong, the 14th. was the Storm.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

Rec^{d}. a letter from the Cheif of the Flemings at Covelon advising that an 17TH.
English Ship was stranded at Maubeliveram and that the People that we sent down were arr^{d}. there, that the Moors at his intercession treated them very well, let them have 2 Palanqueens & a horse to go to the Wreck & enquire news of the other that were missing, that they had secured all y^{e}. Sailors but upon the Cap^{ts}. request had releas'd them again & he assures us that the Moors will not in the least hinder but rather be assisting to us in this affair.

Soon after we rec^{d}. one from Capt. Elliston dated the 16th. at Covelon confirming the above Acco^{t}. and acquainting us that it is the Dartmouth but that he has had no news of any ship else, he also mentions the civilitys rec^{d}. from the Moors Governour.

One Letter from Capt. Tolson's cheif Mate about getting the Ship in a readiness to sail is as follows—

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CAPT. TOLSON

SR.

I recd. yours by the Cattamaran and will use all possible endeavours to get the Ship in order for sailing by two or three a Clock in the afternoon, the late Gale of Wind we have had has disorder'd & put most part of our rigging out of order which makes me something more tedious in the dispatch, I shall strike down all the Guns betwixt decks and in the Wast if not those in the Steerage.

I am

SR.

FRIDAY 2 A CLOCK — Your most Humble Servt.

NOVR. 17TH. 1721. — ROGER HALE.

18TH. Recd. a Letter from Capt. Elliston dated 8 a Clock yesterday morning a league to the Northward of Sadrass acquainting us that all he can see of the wreck is dry ashore but that nothing appears as yet of any consequence, he further tells us that there are about 100 Men down making enquirys about the Treasure & that some bags which the People brot. ashore are seiz'd by the Phousdar of Covelon in order as he says to be secured for the Company, he further says he is apprehensive of the King George being lost for that he saw severall Pieces of Wreck drove ashore and White Men drowned and that he hears there's a Vessell ashore at Sadrass & that the Governr. there is taking care of Bale Goods, he desires severall tools and more hands to break up the Ship.

19TH. About four a clock this morning the Heathcote set sail.

— Recd. a Letter from Capt. Elliston advising of the arrivall of the Divers, Soldiers &ct. that he feard the King George was lost having seen sevll. Pieces of a Wreck ashore in his way down and that he hears there is a Wreck to the Southward of Sadrass which he beleives to be the George Brigantine, Capt. Crossing is gone down to see what it is and further hears that the Moors seem inclinable to mischeif but beleiv'd he was sufficiently provided for them.

— At the same time the President recd. a Letter frõ our Tappys in Jentues advising the Brigantine's being safe & a ship in distress a little below Sadrass.

— At 7 this night recd. a Letter from Capt. Crossing advising that the King George was broke to pieces, their Masts, Yards and some Goods driven ashore and that in his way down he saw 4 white Men dead, That the Govr. of Sadrass had about 3 bales in his Custody & great quantitys of rattans & Canes were floating about. He further adds that the George Brigantine was safe 4 Leagues to the Southward of Sadrass but has damag'd all her Goods, lost her Mainmast and 6 Guns.

He desires a supply of Cordage and Masts upon wch. he was order'd to Fort St. David, it being impossible to reach Madrass with Jury Masts at this time of ye. year.

— At 9 answer'd Capt. Crossing's Letter ordering him to apply himself to Capt. Tolson for Cordage & Capt. Ellis[t]on for masts &ct. and to proceed to Fort St. David forthwith.

— Wrote Mr. Willford to go along ashore and see what Goods were cast up by the Sea & to make all enquiry possible whether the Moors had carried any Goods in ye. Country & to take all the care he could, in recovering any thing he might find belonging to the Company.

— Wrote Capt. Joseph Tolson ordering him to furnish Capt. Crossing wth. Cordage & acquaint Capt. Elliston to supply him wth. Masts & Yards, and further order'd him to send 2 boats with 8 or 10 Soldiers to prevent Insults.

20TH. Recd. a letter from Capt. Elliston advising that the Brigantine was safe & the King George beat to pieces & also that Mr. Dunster &ct. were arrived. We also

recd. one from Mr. Dunster advising his arrivall and giving us hopes of saving some of the Goods provided he had Supplys in time, the Heathcote wth. the 20 Military will we beleive fully supply any such Necessitys that he may have occasion for and we cannot spare more from hence without too much weaks. the Garrison, he advises that the Moors have carry'd 11 Men & some bales up the Country, as to this we beleive we have taken sufficient care having wrote to the Moors Government, advising them of this disaster & letting them know that we will certainly make reprizalls if they offer to Stop any of the Compas. Goods.

At 5 this evening recd. 3 Letters th[e] 1st. from Capt. Elliston advising the arrivall of the Heathcote & some Divers of whom they had not as yet made any use, dated the 19th. at 4 in the Afternoon.

The 2d. from Capt. Warden dated the same day at 6 a Clock advising of 11 [20th.]
People being savd. out of the King George & sevll. Bales wch. were all carried up the Country by the Moors but that with Assistance, he beleiv'd they could save what remain'd on the Strand.

The 3d. dated 2 hours after from Mr. Dunster confirming his former and advising that the Moors are removeing the Men and bales higher into the Country that one of the 11 Men is since dead and that two others were slaves that were design'd for St. Helena, he adds that he has wrote to the Gentlemen of Council at the Dartmouth's Wreck for assistance.

At 7 this evening recd. a Letter dated the 19th. Inst. 7 at night from the Gentlemen of Council at the Dartmouth's Wreck advising the arrivall of the Heathcote there, that Capts. Tolson & Elliston went to view the Wreck & by what they can perceive they are in hopes her bottom is come ashore and they say they doubt not of giving us a good Accot. of some of the Treasure.

They also confirm the Accot. before recd. of the Loss of the King George and safety of the Brigantine.

This day at noon recd. a Letter from Capt. Tolson, Mr. Lauder & Lieutent. 21st.
Sutherland inclosing copy of Mr. Dunster's letter to them, desiring a supply of Men wch. they write they had comply'd with, havg. sent an Ensign, Serjt. & 15 Men to his Assistance, they desire also ballast Shovells, baskets and more Provisions complaining that those put aboard by the Steward were but indifferent.

They confirm what before wrote of hoping to give a good Accot. of part of the Treasure & tell us that the Moors now seem inclinable to be easy & assisting but that they will be on their Guard for fear of a surprize.

Also recd. a letter from the Ostend Cheif at Covelon with complaints of the English gone down to the Wreck, that one of them ill us'd his black Servant.

At 7 in the evening recd. a letter from Mea Saheb ye. Moors Governour at Covelon advising the receipt of the Presidts. Letter & that he will lend all the Assistance he can for the preservation of the Companys effects & that the Silver taken from the Sailors is seal'd up and secured till we have done our business at the Wreck & that then it should be deliver'd to our President's order.

At 8 this evening recd. a Letter from the Gentlemen at the Dartmos. Wreck datd. the 20th. Inst. at 5 in the evening adviseing that they had dispatch'd Ensign Francis Rush, a Corporall & 15 Men with 30 Peons in order to save all they could of the King George's Cargo and that they have sent down Capt. Crossing the Cordage wrote for, for the George Brigant, they desire more Tools having employ'd as many hands about the Wreck as they have instruments for and are still in hopes of saving something.

This morning at 8 a Clock we recd. a Letter from Mr. Willford dated the 20th. 22d.
Inst. advising that he was then going to the Wreck to take care that nothing of the Compa. effects be embezled.

One from Mr. Dunster of the same date advising his having paid Mr. Willford 50 Pags. for his expences at the King George's Wreck mentioning the assistance

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rec^d. from the Dartmouth & that Capt. Warden and M^r. Blackall are gone down with them to the Wreck, he adds that he designs to proceed with Capt. Crossing to Fort S^t. David to look after the damag'd Goods aboard the Brigantine.

22^D. Rec^d. a letter from Capt. Crossing dated the 20th. Ins^t. advising that he would immediately proceed to Fort S^t. David, that he has rec^d. some rigging from Capt. Tolson but wants a 5½ inch hawser, he hears she lost in the Storm one Suit of Sails, two topmasts & left her small bower Anchor in this road and that he has sent to Capt. Elliston for Masts & Yards, he adds that Ensign Rush with 15 Men from the Da[r]tmouth's Wreck was arr^d. M^r. Willford, Capt. Warden & M^r. Blackall with 20 Peons from the President were gone to the King George's Wreck wch. he beleiv'd was sufficient to put a stop to the Moors Proceedings who had a Camp of near 400 Men that were daily sending Goods into the Country.

— Att the same time rec^d. one from M^r. Boel the Duch Cheif at Sadrass advising that not above 100 Pag^s. value came ashore within their Territorys, that he had buried 11 Men that were cast dead upon the Shore & promises to do all in his power for the Service of the Honble. Company.

— At Noon we rec^d. a letter from Capt. Tolson &c^t. Gentlemen at the Dartm^os. Wreck dated yesterday 9 in the morning advising their having rec^d. a letter from Capt. Crossing informing them that Capt. Warden, M^r. Blackall and the Military were gone to the King George's Wreck and M^r. Willford would soon follow them and that he is going to Fort S^t. David, that the Moors have about 400 men at the Wreck and are daily carrying Goods into the Country but that they hope when our Peons get there the Moors will Stop their proceedings.

They repeat their request for Ballast shovells, & baskets in order to proceed on their work & desire a supply of Provisions, acknowledge the civility of the Cheif at Sadrass, but say that he cannot furnish them with what they want.

They have buried five Men that were found dead on shore & say there are more between Covelon and S^t. Thoma but the People they sent on this design could not pass the Bar, they further mention that one of the Mussoolas was stav'd as she was carrying Peons off to the Wreck.

— Rec^d. a letter from Mier Saheb the Moors Govern^r. at Covelon promising all the assistance possible, acquainting that the Boat ferry'd the Europeans safe over the river, the Peons oversett but were all saved.

— Also a letter from Alexander Sutherland advising Lieut^t. Fullerton of the posting his men, advantage of y^e. ground and form of the Camp before the Wreck of y^e. Dartmouth, also what Guns &c^a. he had and how disposed of, what personall assistance from Capt. Tolson, the health of his men & the civilitys of the Moors notwithstanding which he is strictly upon his guard being thoroughly acquainted with the latters treachery.

23^D. The Honble. Presid^t. rec^d. a letter from Capt. Tolson &c^t. advising they had dispatch'd Ensign Rush with a Party to M^r. Willford, Capt. Warden &c^t. they sent them 2 Boats & they since desire more, also men, Tents and Guns wch. cannot be spared assuring the President they keep hard at work, they desire 4 horses, & renew their request of Ballast shovells & baskets, that they are employ'd in getting Masts &c^t. for the George Brigantine which they will make a raft of & send to Fort S^t. David.

Also a letter from M^r. Willford &c^t. advising of Ensign Rush's arrivall with 15 Men, that they saw some pieces of the King George's Wreck but no bales, the Moors hoisted a flag which they advanced towards, the Moors fled, the Govr. there sent to tell them he had 8 Sailors and if they would send Peons he wou'd deliver them.

At two a Clock this afternoon the Presid^t. sent an answer to the above Letters complying as near as possible with Capt. Tolson &c^ts. Demands & inclosing a Letter for their perusall to M^r. Willford &c^t. ordering them to return to the Dartm^os. wreck there being none of the Companys bales to be seen thereabout.

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The Honble. Presidt. recd. a Letter from Capt. Tolson &ct. at the Dartmouth's wreck repeating their former requests for Shovells and desiring Scoops, that the Moors supply them with Provisions, Cooleys &ct. but they despair of doing any great Service till after the full Moon, the surf running very high, however they hope of saving some of the Treasure, the Heathcote's Carpenter assuring them the Dartmos. bottom must be there having found the Stern and Stern posts & says those parts which have been seen along ashore was only her upper works.

At ten at night dispatch'd a letter to the Depty. Govr. of Fort St. David to send a boat doubly mann'd aboard the George Brigantine for the Shovells that were laden on her for the West Coast, and to carry them to the Dartmouth's Wreck and that the Boat People be order'd to look as they go along if they find any of the Honble. Company's bales from aboard the King George. 23D.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam dated the 3d. Instant. 24

Recd. a Genll. Letter from Mr. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 24th. Ulto. —

Dispatch'd ℘ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay dated the 13th. Inst. with an addition of yesterdays date, also a letter to the Cheif &ct. Factors at Surat dated the 13th. Instant. —

At a Consultation

Present

Nathll. Elwick Esqr. President & Governr. — Monday the 27th.

Nathll. Turner. Richd. Benyon. Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson. Randll. Fowke. James Hubbard.
George Drake.

Generall Letters read Viz.

From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 3d. Inst. acknowledging the receipt of ours dated the 13th. September on a Vessell by Mr. Faucett with Duplicate the 29th. Ulto. accompanying a Pacquet for Bengall Presidency which they immediately forwarded.

Agreed that the Company have no occasion for the House and Garden propos'd to be bought, for their Accot. in the Vizagapatam Letter in order to preserve their Goods from the rains, the distance between that and the Town being so small that the risque is not worth takg. notice of and we dont find our Honble. Masters inclinable to make any new purchases there but on the contrary they seem positively to forbid it, thinking the Expences of that Factory already much more than the profits made by the trade thereof will support.

From Mr. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 24th. Ulto. acknowledging the receipt of ours dated the 28th. Sepr. with a bill for Pags. 300 for Factory Expences.

From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 22d. Inst. advising of the George Brigantine's arrivall there the 19th. Inst. that She had lost her main mast, and damag'd great part of her Goods which they immedia[te]ly order'd ashore, acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 16th. Inst. and of a violent Storm they had on Tuesday the 14th. Inst. for 24 hours at South West and South South East.

The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells for September.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort St. David Merchants Accot. Currt. recd. lately from Fort St. David to the end of October last, debts Suncha Ramah &ct. Merchants there for Pags. 16495. 29. 71 the 1st. June 1721 when whereas we paid them out of Cash here the 31st. May Pags. 17554. 15. 9 wch. difference is advis'd of for the Deputy Governour & council's answer.

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He also reports that having examin'd the Fort St. David Cash Accot. for last month he finds it right.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeeper reads that Accot. from the 15th. to the 31st. last month ballance due from him Pags. 718. 16. 74.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekr. reads that Accot. from the 15th. to the 31st. last month Ballance due from him Pags. 1. 11. 70.

Catesby Oadham Sea Customer his Accot. for last month read, Vizt.

Custom on Goods Exported and imported	1946	9	14
Do. on Grain	249	1	76
Anchorage	66	18	—
Pags.	2261	29	10

Ballance due from him Pags. 2230. 6. 10.

John Emmerson Paymaster reads that Accot. for last month Viz.

Charges Garrison	1962	18	30
Charges Generall	835	35	75
Charges Extraordinary	140	2	26
Charges Cattle	157	35	70
Charges Diet	465	7	70
Diet and Store laid in	511	31	75
Repairs of Fortifications	182	13	40
Garden Bridge	76	32	70
Bombay Presidency	50	—	—
Marlbrô Fort	409	20	40
Pags.	4792	19	16

Ballance due to him Pags. 792. 19. 16 wch. is paid him.

Upon examining into the extraordinary Expence for last month it is found to arise from the following Particulars.

GARDEN BRIDGE				76	32	70
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for the Widows Cowse, Burton & Children				50	—	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
Diet for 9 prisoners as ꝑ Marshall's note	9	—	—			
Firewood for the 5th. Novr. as usuall.	5	—	—			
Water for the Fort & Out Choultrys.	5	21	—			
Provisions &ct. for Fra: Hastings Esqr. frō ye. 16 to 31s. Octr. ...	109	34	26			
				129	19	26
MARLBRÔ FORT for Stores laden aboard the George Brigant. for the use of that Settlement & for the Supravisor &ct. going thither as ꝑ Stewards Accot.				409	20	40
Pags.				666	—	56

Randall Fowke Land Customer his Accot. for last month read Viz.

Choultry Customs	199	31	53
Ruby Brokerage	65	27	72
Registring Slaves	—	24	—
Pags.	266	11	45

Ballance due from him Pags. 246. 3. 45 wch. is paid in.

ORDER'D yt. James Hubbard Storekeeper reads that Accot. for last month Ballance due to him Pags. 141. 7. 65 which is order'd to be paid.

ORDER'D that James Hubbard Storekeepr. be advanc'd Pags. three hundred.

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John Emmerson late Storekeeper delivers in an Accot. Remains in the Storehouse to the 31st. Sepr. which is given to Mr. James Hubbard, the said Accot. is sign'd by both of them interchangeably and also in a book kept by the Accomptant for that purpose.

Randall Fowke late Sea Customer pays into Cash Pags. 2000, in part of the Ballance of that Accot. for September.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays in Pags. 583. 12. for last month rent of that Farm.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper do lade aboard the Marlbrô Candy 112 Cowrys, Tons 29 redwood and a quantity of salt Petre agreeable to the Capts. request as enter'd hereafter.

The Warehousekr. reports that the Washers & Beaters Godowns are full of cloth and that he wants new Sorters in the room of severall displac'd and others order'd to the West Coast.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Croke, Toriano, Lauder & Newcome be added to the List and that the Warehousekeeper do summone them accordingly.

AGREED that Serjt. Thos. Rosear have an Ensign's Commission given him in ye. room of Ensign Oliver who had leave to lay down the Service in Consultation of the 6th. Instant in order to go for England.

The President acquaints the Board that Mr. Willford, Capt. Warden & Mr. Blackall have sent up a Chest which they found drove ashore from the King George's Wreck, which they say contains papers belonging to the Honble. Company's Settlement at Bencoolen during the time of Mr. Walsh's Government wch. was opened in Consultation and some papers belonging to that Gentleman being found therein he was sent for but not appearing (being at that time with Mr. Hastings who is very ill) ORDER'D that the Secry. do send for him in the morning and with him examine the Chest and take out what papers he shall find belonging to the Company.

Mr. Thomas Cooke his Petition of Appeal from the Mayors Court read & order'd to be entred after this Consultation. AGREED that Mr. Thomas Cooke may come to the Secrys. Office & with him overlook the West Coast Letters, Consultations &ct. in order to enable him the better to make his defence.

ORDER'D that the Regr. of the Mayor's Court do lay before the Board the proceedings in that Court, with respect to Mr. James Morris's Suit against Mr. Cooke.

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NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
RAND: FFOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

My Quantity of Kentilage mentioned in Ship Marlbro's. Charterparty being not sufficient to make her sail worthy I request your Honr. &ct. to put on board her eleven hundred bags of Salt Petre which will highly oblige.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

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NOVR. YE. 26TH. 1721. — RICHARD MICKELFIELD.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govern^r^. &c^t^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

The Petition of Appeal of Thomas Cooke

Humbly Sheweth

That judgment being given against me in the Mayor's Court for a bale of Cloth taken from James Morris at the West Coast which was seized upon in behalf of the Honble. Company for his debt due to them by Virtue of a positive order rec^d^. from the Honble. President & Council of this place to my self as Deputy Governour & the then Council of Fort Marlborough ; Wherefore I humbly appeal to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. for redress & desire you will be pleased to reexamine the cause & clear me from the aforesaid judgment given in this affair, wherein I am no further concern'd than in duely executing the orders rec^d^. from this board, & that I may be the better enabled to make my defence, I desire you will please to order that I may have the perusall of the West Coast Consultations & Letters sent and rec^d^. to and from this Place with such other papers as may be usefull to me on this occasion which If I could have had to produce in the Mayor's Court, I am of opinion that Worsp^ll^. Bench would have passd their judgment in my favour, I beg you will take into your Hon^r^. &c^as^. consideration and give me relief and your Petitioner as in duty bound

Shall ever pray.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 4th.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govern^r^.

Nath^ll^. Turner. Rich^d^. Benyon. Catesby Oadham.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard.
George Drake.

M^r^. Emmerson *indispos'd.*

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President reads the Acco^t^. of the Honble. Company's Cash for last month Ballance remaining Pag^s^. 52907. 7. 31.

Order'd that Pag^s^. 3000 be advancd John Emmerson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Honble. Court of Directors having in their 11th. Paragraph of their Generall Letter ℘ the Heathcote order'd M^r^. Cooke to pay into their Cash (on Acco^t^. of an overcharge of Provisions laid in for his passage) Pag^s^. 100 :

Order'd that M^r^. Cooke be forthwith sent for and acquainted therewith which being accordingly done and he having agreed to pay it, Order'd that the Sec^ry^. do take care to receive of him the Said Sum̃ and pay it into the Honble. Company's Cash the next Consultation day.

Richard Benyon Warehousekeeper reports that the pepper deliver'd him by M^r^. Cooke (on his receiving the Warehouse) is very foul & that the 3 Persia Carpits are old & decay'd.

Agreed that M^r^. Benyon do sign the Acco^t^. Remains and that he garble the said Pepper reporting the difference to the Board.

M^r^. Thomas Cooke late Import & Export Warehousek^r^. thereupon produc'd Acco^ts^. Remains in the Warehouses to the 15th. Octr. last which are given to M^r^. Richard Benyon the present Export & Import Warehousekeeper, the said Acco^ts^. are interchangeably sign'd by them and also in a Book kept by the Accomptant for that Purpose.

Order'd that the Accomptant do prepare a List of Debts on the Generall Books to be deliver'd in the next Consultation.

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The Warehousekeep^{r}. reports to the Board that he has deliver'd the 20 Chests of Silver (which he was order'd in Consultation of the 6th. Ult^{o}. to sell at $14\frac{1}{2}$ Doll^{rs}. ꝑ 10 Pagodas) to the Company's Merchants, at $14\frac{3}{8}$ ꝑ 10 P^{s}. on acco^{t}. of their running Contract. The said report is enter'd after this Consultation.

Agreed that the Merchants be debted for the produce of the said 20 Chests of Treasure & that they sign receipts for it Accordingly.

Padree L'abbee attending the Board, we deliver'd him a bond (as enter'd after this Consultation) for payment of an annuity of six hundred Pagodas ꝑ annum which was drawn out and sign'd the 1st. Ins^{t}.

The Sea Customer reports that upon examining the Sea Gate Godowns he finds severall parcells of Goods belonging to Persons unknown which having lain till they are near spoil'd, It is

Order'd that the Sea Customer and Paymaster do sell them at Outcry for the most they can get, giving the proper notice at the Sea Gate of the sale thereof and that the produce be brought to the Acco^{t}. of Profit & Loss.

The Petition of Rawsum Paupa Braminy read as enter'd after this Consultation, praying for a confirmation from this Board of his being restor'd to the Service of the Honble. Company as appears by y^{e}. minute Book of the 19th. September last by the then President & Council but we observe to be omitted in the fair Consultations; Severall of the Members of this Board being present at that time and remembring the Motives that induc'd them thereto, which were his known Qualifications and Abilitys being thoroughly acquainted with the nature of the Country Government, as well as the necessity that arose from the Age & infirmity of the then Cheif Dubash, he having been incapable of his duty for some time, and dy'd in few days,

Agreed that he be confirm'd Cheif Dubash, Head Braminy and Renter of the Paddy Feilds.

The Warehousek^{r}. reports that when the Marlbrô was here last Voyage the Capt. requested but six hundred and fifty bags of Salt Petre over and above the Quantity allow'd by Charterparty, that as she has now on Board 77 Ton of Iron Kentilage which is equall to 1150 bags, he has only deliver'd as yet 650 bags of Petre upon the request deliver'd by Capt. Mickelfeild the last Consultation, and desires the order of the Board whether he shall deliver any more. Capt. Mickelfeild was thereupon call'd in and acquainted that he had demanded about 450 bags of Salt Petre more than what he had the last time he was dispatch'd from this Place considering his Iron Kentilage, to which he desired leave to reply in writing the next Consultation.

M^{r}. James Hubbard presents to the Board a request desiring he may be paid a proportion of the estate of Robert Mackey Dec^{d}. at the West Coast for Doll^{rs}. 452 due to him from the said M^{r}. Mackey & produces a note under his hand dated Jañry 21st. 1718/9 acknowledg^{e}. he was indebted to him the said Sum̃, his request is order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation & it appearing that the Sum̃ of Pag^{s}. 233. 28. 48 was rec^{d}. into the Company's Cash the 2^{d}. Novr. 1719 acco^{t}. the Estate of Robt. Mackey and then carried to the credit of M^{r}. William Palmer for a debt of Doll^{rs}. 500 Due to him there being at that time no other Claimants,

Agreed that M^{r}. Hubbard be now paid his proportion of the s^{d}. Pag^{s}. 233. fa. 28. Ca. 48 wch. is Pag^{s}. 111. —. Ca. 8 upon his giving a note to repay it if the Honble. Comp^{a}. should not approve thereof.

Suncha Rama &c^{t}. Renters of Trivitore &c^{t}. Five New Villages pay into Cash Pagodas twelve hundred for the last years rent thereof ending the 23^{d}. October 1721.

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Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash Pagodas 333. fa 12 three hundred thirty three & twelve fanams for last month's. rent of that Farm.

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TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

I have in obedience to your Commands endeavour'd to sell twenty chests of the Honble. Company's Silver but the Small demand for it in the Country made it impracticable to dispose of that Quantity for ready money & the price your Honr. &ct. expected. But as I knew the design of selling it was to raise money to pay the Company's Merchants I have prevail'd with them to take it at 14⅜ Dollar weight ℔ 10 Pagodas provided your Honr. &c. will be pleas'd to consent it should be pass'd to their Accots. in the Generall Books. I am

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.

FORT ST. GEORGE — Your most Humble. Servant
NOVR. 30TH. 1721. — RICHD. BENYON.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

Having lately an occasion to look over the Consultation Book for the year 1719 I observ'd among the Accot. Currts. of the Estates of the Decd. Persons at the West Coast, that the Sum of Pags. 233. 23. 48 being the whole produce of the Effects belonging to Mr. Robert Mackey Decd. is transferr'd to the Accot. of Mr. William Palmer for a debt of Dollars 500 due to him by the said Mackey as ℔ the Consultation Book of the 2d. Novr. 1719 will appear, at the Same time Mr. Mackey was indebted to me 452 Dollars as ℔ note under his hand (which I am ready to produce) Dated in Fort Marlbrô the 21st. Janry. 1718/9 will also appear, I was absent from this Place when those Accots. were made up & on my arrivall here finding that Mr. Mackey's Estate had no credit in the Generall Books as the Estates of all the other Persons had, I could not but Conclude from thence that Mr. Mackey dy'd without leaving any effects at all which was the reason I never made a demand before, but as it now appears to have been otherwise and Mr. Mackey's debt to me being equally just wth. that to Mr. Palmer, I therefore humbly request your Honr. &ct. would be pleased to order a dividend to be paid me out of the produce of Mr. Mackey's Estate proportionable to the Sum he was indebted to me. I am with all respect

HONble. SR. &ct.

FORT ST. GEORGE — Yor. most Obedt. Humble. Servant
DECR. 4TH. 1721. — JAMES HUBBARD.

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TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQE.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF PAUPA BRAMINY LATE CHEIF DUBASH

SHEWETH

That on or about the 24th. September last your Petitioner was sent for from St. Thoma by the late President Mr. Hastings & upon his coming to this Place was welcom'd by the Company's Merchants and heads of the Casts, the next day your Petitioner was sent for into Council and acquainted by Mr. Hastings that he was reinstated in his former employs of Cheif Dubash, Head Braminy and that he should have again the Paddy Feild's Cowle, In Confirmation whereof the then Presidt. Mr. Hastings gave your Petitioner a Roundell and Tashareif and acquainted the Companys Merchants and Heads of the Casts (who then attended him to the Consultation Room at the Garden) of your Petitioner's Restoration, But whereas your Petitioner is lately inform'd that Mr. Hastings has omitted registring of his Restoration he prays the favour of your Honr. &ct. that he may be admitted to his former employs as before recited and your Petitioner will seek all opportunitys of doing Service to the Honble. Company and make their business his whole Study thereby to merit your Honr. &cas. favour and your Petitioner as in duty bound

SHALL EVER PRAY.

WE NATHANIEL ELWICK PRESIDENT & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL for Affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies do acknowledge to have recd. of the Revd. Father Joseph Labbee Jesuit Attorney for the French Jesuits Missionarys in China the Sum of ten thousand Pagodas current of Madrass for Account of the Honble. Company to the which Sum the said Father Joseph Labbee doth for himself and the said Jesuits Missionarys in China his employers entirely relinquish & give up all right, title and Claim whatsoever to the said ten thousand Pagodas so long as the said Honble. United East India Company shall continue to pay them or their Assigns the annuall Interest of six ℔ Cent. IN WITTNESS whereof we have hereunto set our hands and the Seal of the Honble. Company this 1st. December one thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

NATHLL. ELWICK.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 7TH.

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQE. PRESIDENT & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHARD BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
RANDLL. FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

MR. EMMERSON *indispos'd.*

Petition or remonstrance of Richard Horden read as enter'd after this Consultation complaining of a judgment given against him in the Mayor's Court and desiring that we would Stop Execution alledging that the matter of the Complaint against him did not come under the Jurisdiction of that Court.

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Mr. Horden being call'd in & ask'd whether he design'd that paper as a petition of appeal to us from the Mayor's Court, said no, but only desired us to protect him from the execution which he Suppos'd would follow upon the judgment given against him there, for that as he mentioned in the said paper he could not think the Court had any power to try cases of that nature and that if any such Complaint was brought against him to the Board he would *Salvo jure* as a Subject of England make answer thereto and doubted not to clear himself, he thereupon withdrew and it was unanimously

Agreed that an enquiry into any difference or dispute in the Mayor's Court is an impartial & just way and method to discover the truth because that Court hath power by their Charter to try all causes whatsoever and if any Persons shall think themselves aggriev'd by any Verdict given there they have liberty to appeal to this Board. Therefore t'is, further

Agreed that if Mr. Horden means by this Paper deliver'd to the Board to have the Cause reexamin'd we are ready to enquire into the merits thereof but that till we are thoroughly acquainted with and have reexamin'd the merits and find some error in the proceedings of the Mayor's Court we cannot annull what has been done there.

Capt. Richard Mickelfield delivers in an answer (as enterd after this Consulta tion) to what was objected the last to his petition for Salt Petre setting forth the crankness of his Ship last Voyage and desiring 450 bags more may be allow'd him to make her sail worthy reserving yet a Liberty for a further demand if he finds her tender.

Agreed that the Warehousekr. do deliver the said 450 bags conformable to his positive request.

Randall Fowke Land Customer reads that Accot. for last month Viz.

Choultry Customs	166	35	15
Ruby Brokerage	5	3	21
Pags.	172	2	36

Ballance due from him Pags. 152. 17. 36.

Mr. Thomas Cooke delivers in a paper acquainting us that he had paid the Secretary one hundred Pagodas according to the Company's orders on Accot. of the charge for provisions when he went Supravisor to the West Coast, setting forth that the whole Charge was but 194 Pagodas for himself, Mr. Hubbard, one Soldier & 10 Servants, and that the remainder were expended at the generall Table after their arrivall, desiring we would represent the case once more to the Company, He also delivers in a petition of Appeal from a judgment given against him in the Mayors Court in favour of Mr. Morris praying the said judgment may be annull'd and Mr. Morris obliged to pay the Charges of the Court. Both which Papers are enterd after this Consultation and the consideration of the latter deferr'd till next Consultation.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

Whereas an unjust Complaint or Petition of Rajah Gopaul was presented to the Mayor & Aldermen at a Court by them holden on the 21st. Ult^{o}. setting forth that I had in an extorting manner taken from him severall Sum̃s of money which Petition was then read (as I was attending the Court at the Suit of Venkatachelum) and the allegations therein absolutely denied by me and thô I have made no further replication yet the Court proceeded to give judgment as appears by their decree of the 5th. Instant.

I am therefore obliged to address my self to your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. and pray leave to acquaint you that my reason for not pleading at the Mayor's Court is that I humbly conceive the charge contain'd in that Petition to be no way belonging to the jurisdiction of that Court and entirely exempt from their Cognizance. For the Honble. Company have been pleased to Specify, direct & appoint (as by a paper affix'd by your Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. order at the Sea Gate doth appear) before whom complaints of the like nature set forth in the aforementioned Petition are to be heard.

Upon which consideration I hope your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will take such immediate and certain methods as you Shall think fit to Stay the execution which I fear will be the consequence of the judgment given, & I doubt not before your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. to manifest my own innocence and the notorious ungrowndedness of the Complaint brought against me. I am

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{T}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant

DEC^{R}. 7TH. 1721.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

The reason why I request more Salt Petre than I had last Voyage is because that when I went home I found I had not enough to Stiffen my Ship but on the contrary found her very tender for which reason I must request of your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. that you will be pleas'd to allow me four hundred and fifty bags more which with the six hundred and fifty already receiv'd I hope will make her sail worthy ; If not I must yet further request what shall be Sufficient, and am

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servt.

DEC^{R}. 5TH. 1721.
RICH^{D}. MICKELFEILD.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{T}.

In complyance with your order of the 4th. Ins^{t}. I have paid to your Sec^{ry}. M^{r}. Joseph Houghton the Sum̃ of one hundred Pagodas which the Honble. Court of Directors are pleas'd in the 11th. Paragraph of their Letter ⅌ Heathcote, to order me to pay into their Cash on Acco^{t}. of the charge of provisions laid in for my Passage when I was sent from hence Supravisor to the West Coast ; y^{e}. whole charge on that Acco^{t}. for my self, M^{r}. James Hubbard 2^{d}. of Council, one Soldier and

about ten Servants to the best of my remembrance not exceeding the Sum of one hundred and ninety four Pagodas, the provisions that were remaining on our arrivall there Mr. Hubbard may very well remember were expended at their Generall Table which was the greatest part of what we had to Subsist on till the Europe Shipping arrd. wch. was some months after, I desire your Honr. &ct. will represent the case to them once more and I am in hopes they will be so favourable as to repay me the money in England. I am

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECR. 7TH. 1721.

Your Obedt. Humble. Servt.
THOMAS COOKE.

TO THE HONBLE. NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

That I may clear my self from being answerable for the Goods belonging to Mr. James Morris for which judgment has been given against me in the Mayor's Court, I beg leave to lay before you the following orders recd. from the Govr. & Council of Fort St. George relating thereto and the proceedings of my self then Deputy Govr. and the Council of Fort Marlbrô in obedience to those orders, from whence I hope your Honr. &ct. will be of opinion that the Honble. Company can only be answerable for the unhappy Consequences that have Since attended our putting those orders in execution.

You will find that both Mr. Farmer and Mr. Morris were confin'd & their effects seiz'd upon by order of the Govr. & Council as ꝑ Extract of Fort St. George Consultation dated 30th. July 1718 sign'd by Joseph Collet, William Jennings, Richard Horden, John Legg, Randall Fowke, Nathaniel Turner & Richard Benyon which is at large recited in the first Paragraph of Fort St. George Generall Letter to Fort Marlbrô dated 21st. Octr. 1718, sign'd by Joseph Collet, William Jennings, Richard Horden, John Legg, Randall Fowke, Richard Benyon & John Emmerson with their Severall reasons for so doing which are too large to be incerted here wherefore I desire your Honr. &ct. will be referr'd to said Consultation.

The second Paragraph of the Same Letter contains the following order.

"According to our agreement in the last Paragraph of the above recited "Consultation We do hereby order you to confine Messrs. Farmer and Morris for "conspiracy agst. the Government of Fort St. George till you have an opportunity of "sending them hither, We further order you to seize all their effects & to take them "into the Honble. Compy's. possession till their Accots. can be examin'd and [full] "satisfaction be made to the Honble. Company and to private Persons for Injurys "done them.

In complyance with the aforesaid order it appears by Fort Marlbrô Consultations Datd. Novr. 17th. 171[8]

"That Messrs. Richard Farmer and James Morris be confined in proper "Apartments in the Fort & that Messrs. Newcome and Kington do see the Doors and "Windows of their Houses seal'd with the Company's Seal & lock'd till they have "time to take an Inventory of their effects.

In the same Consultations Novr. 2d. 1718 it is order'd

"That Messrs. Newcome and Kington do immediately go to his house (Viz. "the house of Mr. Morris) and in his presence take an Inventory of all his effects "and that what loose things or perishable Goods he may have by him be sold at "publick Outcry for the most they will yeild and that their produce be paid into the "Honble. Company's Cash so that we may be able to send an Accot. thereof to Fort St. "George ꝑ Ship Queen.

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In the same Consultations Novr. 25th. 1718 It is enter'd

"Messrs. Newcome and Kington having taken an Inventory of M^{r}. Morris "Effects &c^{t}." But if that Inventory thrô the neglect of others has been omitted to be enter'd in the Consultation Book or to be sent hither I hope I shall not be judg'd to be answerable for those effects, thrô the omission of them whose proper business it was to do it, very probably the occasion of this omission might be the order for selling his effects at Outcry, which Outcry Account was remitted here, and contain'd his whole Inventory except the Chest of Cloth and some Books and Papers, mentioned therein, but since M^{r}. Morris has given me this trouble I have found the Originall Inventory wrote by M^{r}.Thomas Bayley who was then M^{r}. Kington's Assistant, which I herewith deliver for your perusall wherein is included, the particulars of this Chest of Cloth in which tis remarkable there is two pieces less then M^{r}. Morris demanded, and I hope this may be esteem'd a Sufficient Acco^{t}. of said Goods thô: thrô hurry of business or the neglect of others it has been omitted to be sent hither with the other Acco^{ts}. of M^{r}. Morris's Effects.

The Honble Company were advised of these our proceedings in our Letter of the 10th. January 1718/19 ℔ Ship Benjamin & in the 26th. Parag of their Letter to Fort Marlbrô ℔ Ship Hartford in answer to what wrote by the Benjamin they are so far from disapproving of the seizure that they order the Goods to be sold at Outcry or to allow the Owners 30 ℔ Cent on what already taken on their Acco^{t}. but the place was unfortunately lost before the receipt of that Letter.

By what I have already offer'd it appears that I have acted only pursuant to the orders rec^{d}. from this Place and therefore hope your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will clear me from this Suit, that chest of Cloth being deliver'd into the Company's Wareh^{o}. where they remain'd when the Place was burnt, as by the acknowledgment of M^{r}. Stephen Newcome our then Warehousekeeper.

I now add some other proofs to invalidate the reason on which the Mayor's Court have grounded their judgment which is express'd as follows.

"M^{r}. Stephen Newcome one of the Bench & of Council with M^{r}. Cooke at the "West Coast declares that the said Goods were bro^{t}. to the place of publick Sale & "sent back into the Warehouse by M^{r}. Cook's order that they might not prejudice "the Sale of his own (as may very reasonably be Supposed) for it was not customary "for any piece Goods to be sold but by the Govr. of this place who had then a "quantity of the Same sort by him.

M^{r}. Newcome has since often told me that he did not make any such declaration or had he any Such meaning in what he said, but that his words were taken in a wrong Sense & that he did not know in what manner the order was worded, if he had he should have objected against it as he will declare to your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. if sent for, (and without reflecting on the Court) it may as reasonably be Supposed that M^{r}. George Tullie Register, who was employ'd as Attorney against me did form that order to my greatest Prejudice.

In the latter part of the 9th. Paragraph of Fort Marlbrô^{s}. Letter to Fort S^{t}. George dated 29th. Novr. 1718 ℔ Ship Queen it will appear that other reasons are given for not selling those Goods at Outcry wherein Tis said "That t'woul'd be very prejudiciall to the Company's affairs to dispose of them at Outcry, about which we wait their orders" wh[ich] Letter M^{r}. Newcome has sign'd being then of Council.

In the latter part of the 26th. Paragraph of Fort Marlbrô Letter to the Honble. Company dat^{d}. 10 Jan: 17[18/19] ℔ Ship Benjamin the Same reasons are given wherein tis said, "That twould be a great prejudice to their trade to have them sold at Outcry" which Letter is also sign'd by M^{r}. Newcome.

I desire you will likewise take notice that in our Consultation of the 22^{d}. Novr. 1718 It is order'd, "That only M^{r}. Morris's loose things and perishable Goods [be sold] at Outcry, which his piece Goods were not allow'd to be and were therefore sent back to the Company's Warehouse to be kept there.

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I doubt not these reasons will appear Suffi[c^t.] & further I am ready to give upon oath if required that [I] never prevented the Sale of M^r. Morris's Goods at Outcry out of any private Interest of my own or would they have been any prejudice to the Sale of mine had they been s[old] there, but on the contrary I should have thought the Sa[le] of them an injustice done M^r. Morris and beleive all [im]—partiall judges would have been of the same opinion.

I therefore desire your Hon^r. &c^t. will take the premises into your serious Consideration, annull the Court judgment, and please to order M^r. Morris to repay me the excessive Charges he has put me to in prosecuting this affair in which you'll very much oblige

Your obed^t. Hum^ble. Servt.
THOMAS COOKE.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
DEC^R. 7TH. 1721.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 12TH.

NATHAN^LL. ELWICK ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOVERN^R.
NATHAN^LL. TURNER. RICH^D. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
RANDALL FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

Generall Letter from the Dep^ty. Governour & Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 30th. Ult^o. rec^d. the 8th. Ins^t. read, acknowledging the receipt of ours dated the 16th. past wth. their Cash Acco^t. for last month, the Merchants Acco^ts. 3 Sets of Generall Books R. S. T. &c^t. papers which comes out right according to the List of the Pacquet and are deliver'd to the Accomptant to examine.

Generall Letter from the Presid^t. & Council of Bengall dated the 15th. Nov^r. (with a Pacquet for this Presidency which came to their hands ℘ Ship Addison) read advising of Ships Stretham, Addison & Monmouth's arrivall at Rogue's river and that they design to send us the Monmouth, the beginning of this month with 300 bales, 2000 bags of Salt Petre &c^t. Stores for this Presidency, likewise that they will dispatch the Stretham & Addison directly from thence to England.

Kittee Timapa Son of Narrapa Narran his petition read in relation to a Cowle granted him by Govr. Pitt &c^a. Council in 1700, which was produced and read in Consultation and AGREED that he enjoy the Liberty therein granted conformable to the 35th. Paragraph of the Honble Company's Letter ℘ the Marlbrough, the said Petition is enter'd hereafter.

Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. Mintmaster his Acco^t. for last month read, Ballance due from him Pag^s. 28. 13. 30 which he pays in.

The Accomptant reads the Journall Parcells for the month of October.

The Honble. Company having in their 36th. Parã of their Letter ℘ Heathcote order'd us to receive the Ballance of M^r. Henry Davy's Estate, into their Cash,

ORDER'D that the Secretary do acquaint M^r. Hastings Executor to the said M^r. Henry Davy therewith and demand the money and Acco^ts. from him.

Our Honble. Masters having orderd that M^r. Draper late Secretary should repay the 5 ℘ Cent Commission charg'd by him on the estate of M^r. William Palmer Dec^d.

AGREED that the Sec^ry. do demand it of him and pay it into Cash.

M^r. Francis Hastings late President desires leave to go home on the Marlbrô (as ℘ his Petition enterd after this Consultation) which is granted beleiving the Security we have on the Honble. Comp^as. Acco^t. more than Sufficient to answer their demands, the very ill State of health he is in and the little likelyhood of his life if

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he continues here being sufficient motives thereto. We have also permitted his Servant Thomas Newton to go with him, he being as Mr. Hastings says a very usefull Servant to him and has long since serv'd his time to the Honble. Company.

Mr. Draper having been acquainted with the Company's orders for his going home, desires leave to take his Passage on the Marlbrô which is granted.

Mr. Morris having been acquainted wth. Mr. Thomas Cooke's petition of Appeal and permitted to overlook it, delivers in a reply thereto, which is enterd after this Consultation, and a pretty long debate arising after our perusall thereof it was at last,

Agreed that it was a case not determinable in the Mayor's Court, but that Mr. Thomas Cooke acted in that affair by a proper authority and is not accountable to any but the Honble. Company for his proceedings therein, It is also further Agreed that Mr. Morris have credit given him (for the bale of Goods lost with the advance allow'd by the Honble. Company) in the Genll. Books.

Mr. Cooke being ask't if he had any books or Papers belonging to Mr. Morris, reply'd that he had a bag of old Westcoast Papers but does not know that any of them belong'd to Mr. Morris, which papers he is order'd to deliver to the Secretary who is to deliver to Mr. Morris what should be found amongst them belonging to him.

Messrs. Thomas Cooke, Randall Fowke and Joshua Draper pay into Cash the Ballance of Mr. Thomas Jenkinson's Estate, in their hands being Pags. 1042. 9. 78.

Mr. Thomas Cooke late Paymaster pays into Cash the neat proceed of Nicholas Goodwin's Estate being Pags. 80. 10. 30 as also the neat proceed of John Blagg's Estate P. 6. fa. 7. Ca. 60 he likewise delivers in the Accot. Sales of the said Estate.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke and Draper deliver in the Books and papers belonging to the Estate of Mr. Thomas Jenkinson which Mr. George Drake last of Council is appointed to take care of and recover any thing that may be s[ta]nding out.

Rausum Paupa Braminy being call'd in and the Paddy Feilds Cowle produced which he accepted of and it was Agreed in Consideration for his taking the said Farm at so great a rent, that he be allow'd to wear a roundell, at the Same time his Indentures as Cheif Dubash and Braminy were interchangeably sign'd.

The President acquaints the Board that Mr. Jennings has desired a fourth Bill of Exchange for and on Accot. of the three thousand Pagodas for which he had first second & third Bills of Exchange deliver'd him by Mr. Hastings &ct. Council dated the 2d. of Octr. payable to Edward Harrison Esqr. or order, one of the said three bills being lost upon the King George.

Agreed that Mr. Jennings's request be granted and a fourth Bill be drawn out and sign'd by this Board and that our Honble. Masters be advis'd thereof in the Generall Letter.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper do send one hundred Tons of redwood to the Bay when opportunity admits agreeable to their desire.

The Secry. acquaints the Board that pursuant to the President & Council's ordr. the 27th. Ulto. he wth. Mr. Walsh examin'd the Chest of Bencoolen Papers wch. was cast ashore from the K. Geo: Wreck's. & found nothing therein belongg. to the Honble. Company but one pair of old Westcoast Genll. Books for the year 1712 wch. he sent to the Accompts. Office & some Papers of Mr. Walsh's which he deliver'd him.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
Rand: ffowke.
James Hubbard.
George Drake.

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To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{t}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.

Having very lately been so dangerous ill that my Physician almost despair'd of my life & being now in such a weak State of body that unless I go for England very speedily I am apprehensive it will be very much endanger'd, I desire your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. to permit me to take my Passage on the Marlbrô and that you will give Capt. Mickelfield an order to receive me and my necessarys on board and accommodate me in the best manner he is able ; I also request a discharge for my Servant Thomas Newton who is in the Military but has serv'd out his Covenanted time some years since, I am

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

Fort S^{t}. George — Your most Humble Servant

Decr. the 11th. 1721. — Francis Hastings.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{t}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

The Honble. Court of Directors having in their Letter by Ship Marlbro & Heathcote been pleased to order me to return to England (as it has been signify'd to me by your Secretary) I am to acquaint your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. that I am in a readiness to comply with that their order and being determin'd with your Consent to take my passage on the Marlbrô I desire your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will be pleased to give an order to the Capt. for receiving me & my necessarys on board, I also desire a Certificate may be given me by your Accomptant, that I stand not indebted upon the Honble. Company's Generall Books.

I am with Respect,

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.

Fort S^{t}. George — Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servant

Decr. 12°. 1721. — Joshua Draper.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}. &c^{t}. Council.

The Petition of Kitty Timapa

Humbly Sheweth

That in the year 1700 Govern^{r}. Pitt and his Council were pleas'd to give your Petition^{rs}. father a Cowle [for the paying] no more Custom than practic'd by the Portugueze & Armenians which Cowle was to be in force during the naturall life of his said Father Kitty Narran and himself your Petitioner which was as therein mentioned for an encouragement to him for the good Services he had done and was then about doing the Honble. Comp^{a}. Yo^{r}. Petitioner's Father enjoy'd the Same to the time of his death but Governour Collet forbad your Petitioner's hav^{g}. the Liberty in his time which being contrary to the meaning of the said Cowle he humbly hopes your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will permit him the priviledge therein design'd and your Petitioner as in duty bound

Shall ever pray.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1721*—

TO THE HON^{BLE}. NATH^{LL}. ELWICK ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEO^{E}. &C^{T}. COUNCIL.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{T}.

Having thrô the goodness & justice of the Honble. Presid^{t}. the liberty of inspecting M^{r}. Cooke's declaration given in answer to the Courts judgment the last Consultation (which with the greatest respect & thankfullness I shall always Acknowledge) I make bold to offer a few particulars in answer thereto being in duty bound to endeavour in some measure to vindicate the proceedings of the Worsp^{ll}. Mayor & Aldermen, in the signall piece of Justice they were pleased to do me against the s^{d}. M^{r}. Thos. Cooke, as likewise to lay before this Honble. Board the invalidity of M^{r}. Cooke's arguing whereby your Hon^{r}. & Council may be apprized of no more then real Fact and thereby come the nearer to the truth to pass judgment thereon Viz.

I cannot but wonder M^{r}. Cooke should trouble your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. with so many citations of paragraphs of orders & Consultations with the Gentlemens names at length that sign'd them, since I never questioned the authority or extent of his power but always thought it as full as possible and only sought justice in the usual course of Law for my Goods which he had not brought to Acco^{t}. after M^{r}. Cooke's refusall of accomodating the matter otherwise as I acquainted the Honble. Presid^{t}. by showing the Letter I wrote him (a Copy of which accompany's this) neither do I beleive (thô it seems to be levell'd that way) that it can have any effect or byass with this Honble. Board in the execution of justice [of whose] integrity and Goodness I am so thoroughly convinc'd that I earnestly wish my whole affair was brought as near a period, that an end might be put to almost four years misery and affliction in wch. M^{r}. Cooke has been the cheif instrument of my Sufferings by the forceable extention of that authority, neither do I know that his orders were ever questioned in Court excepting that I told him once I beleiv'd he could not produce any order for taking my Goods away without bringing them to Acco^{t}. for wch. reason I humbly conceive they might as well have been let alone being f reighn from the present matter, without the intention was by the multiplicity of words to cover the truth. However as M^{r}. Cooke has been pleased to rub an old sore I cant help saying that there is hardly any particular he can touch on that I have not been a Sufferer by, and his 2^{d}. Paragraph particularly reminds me that before the receipt of that order made in Consultation the 30th. July 17[18] & rec^{d}. the 21st. Octr. following I was imprison'd 53 hours almost in the dark thô at that time very ill, my papers all search'd even to my private Letters & most of them taken away and when I complain'd of such usage the Ensign was order'd to search the inside of my Breeches wch. was done in a very indifferent rude manner. Messrs. Richard Farmer, Lewis Deane, George Willey (thô his Arm was broke), James Rawlins & I think Henry Bailey were likewise confin'd and their Papers search'd, as being suspected for being my friends & all this und^{r}. the pretence of searching for a letter Book thô at the same time it was d^{d}. up (to the truth of this I am ready to take my oath if required), now as I look'd on this as a Company's Affair I did not bring it in accusation against M^{r}. Cooke in Court for damage, referring it to another time, but since he so strenuously insists on the aforesaid orders to set aside the just determination of the Worsp^{ll}. Mayor & Aldermen I make my humble and earnest request to your Hon^{r}. & the rest of the worthy members of this Board that M^{r}. Cooke may be obliged to produce his orders from this place for those unwarrantable & unjust proceedings, for I hope it will not be esteem'd a sufficient reason for such illegality that M^{r}. Cooke order'd it should be so, wherefore if M^{r}. Cooke cannot produce such an order to indemnify him he must be accountable as being y^{e}. prime Agent, & as I doubt not to meet with ample satisfaction from this happy change of Affairs I hope to see the same measure dealt to him as he gave to others by the searching whose papers I doubt not to recover my Joint Books wth. Ellill & Rawlins as well as severall other material Papers which are still wanting as likewise that the s^{d}. M^{r}. Cooke by your Hon^{r}. &c^{es}. determination may be oblig'd to make me such satisfaction as the Law allows for false imprisonment & the like abuses.

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By the 6th Parag. Mr. Cooke seems desirous to throw the crime on other persons whom he does not think fit to name, but one may reasonably beleive whom he aims at that it can be nothing less than a dead Person that he would lay it on who is non capacitated to answer for himself. I think my self particularly obliged to Mr. Cooke for refreshing his memory after so wonderfull a manner for when this business was first brot. in question, he knew nothing of the matter, but now thanks be prais'd he acknowledges I had a Chest of Cloth, but Secry. Palmer who thrô his neglect dy'd in [de]bt, must be answerable because it was not enter'd in Consultation, I humbly ask your Honrs. &ct. Gentlemen's pardon herein that I think this such a wonderfull discovery that can't help beleiving it to be the product of more heads than one, to fix the fault on a dead man deficient in all respects to make satisfaction, I doubt not your Honr. &ct. will see thrô these thin disguises & not allow them to draw of the due demerits from the just offender, I am very certain Mr. Cooke knew Mr. Palmer to be a person unqualify'd for any trust as appear'd after his arrivall here whereby Mr. Cooke was doubly to blame, if he trusted to his making up the Consultations and is not all excusable thereby, for I Should be glad to know what Mr. Cooke's station required of him if it was to see the Honble. Company's affairs transacted in a just & regular method as well as order the doing it. I remember in the Honble. Company's Letter ℔ Ship Benjamin, "They say it is not sufficient for "the Depty. Governr. & Council to discharge their duty faithfully but they are obliged "to see that all others under them do the same" (or words to that effect) wch. intirely cuts of Mr. Cooke's Excuse, for if the Secry. did not do his duty whose fault was it, why was he intrusted when known incapable & why not better look'd after, I know Govr. Collet never trusted him with any thing but what was continually under his own Inspection, & if the Honble. Company approv'd my Suspension and the Sale of my Goods they never could of selling them at under rates, as 50 ℔ Cent less than prime cost, instead of 30 ℔ Cent advance thereon as some of mine were sold (Capt. Lestleys Sale is an Instance), besides all this is nothing to the purpose, for Mr. Cooke acknowledges there was such goods & that they were not sold but put in the Honble. Companys Warehouse for such a reason as he has given that it would be a prejudice to the Honble. Company's affairs to sell one and a half corge of fine Goods wch. ye. Compa. had none of by Outcry wch. is the weakest as well as ye. falsest evasion imaginable, that so small a quantity of Goods in case the Company deal't in such sorts (wch. I know they did not) should prejudice their affairs, was not Mr. Cooke & his Council there to buy them for the Company wch. would have hinder'd them from falling into the hands of the Malays to hinder ye. Compas. Sales. But as it is plain that could not be ye. reason for as the Warehousekrs. Accot. for Mr. Cooke's time will shew the great Sale there was made of the Compas. Wares for ready money, wch. (I humbly beg of your &ct. may be produc'd & examin'd) it will be found this is no more then a pretence instead of a reason & if Mr. Newcome thrô inadvertency stumbled into the truth, as he rea[lly] did before sufficient Wittness I cant see why he shou'd be [bl]am'd & as Mr. Cooke acknowledges the Goods were in the Compas. Warehouse when they left the Place (or else they could not be burnt) why did he not secure them as well as his own, he could send off 15 bales & Bundles of his own Goods 2 or 3 days before under the pretence of a consignment to Bentall as well as 3000 Dollar Worth of Plate, money, & Apparell (as he wrote Mr. Hubbard), this particular I humbly beg your Honr. &ct. will be pleased to inquire into, for setting the former evasions and excuses of Mr. Cooke's aside, & allowing that he had made these Goods the Compas. why did he not use the Same care & precaution, in saving them as his own, I think it very plain & I doubt not your Honr. &ct. will think it equally feazible & therefore Mr. Cooke must be answerable alone for it is very reasonable to ask why they were not sav'd as so many other things (it may be of less value) having 3 days time for so doing before it was thought fit to go off, if the truth was to appear barefac'd I dont beleive it wou'd be found unreasonable to beleive or improbable that those Goods might not be safe thô they never came the length of Madrass. I doubt not thrô your Honr. &cts. inspection into this affair you will find such reasons for this which it is the earnest endeavour as well as the

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Interest of some Persons to conceal wch. will wholly unravell this business, else what should be the meaning of that mysterious term (under a pretence of a consignment to Bentall) 2 or 3 days before leaving the Place, what occasion was there of a pretence if there was not an intention depending, however I leave that to your Hon^{r}. &c^{as}. enquiry & only make bold humbly to recommend these things to y^{r}. goodness and consideration as well as to determine whether fine piece Goods such as Morees and Beteelas are not more perishable & liable to damage than the major part of the Goods that were sold at Outcry a copy of wch. Acco^{t}. comes accompanying.

Before I conclude I shall make bold to say something in respect to the transactions in Court in answer to M^{r}. Cooke's reflection, for it does not wholly light on M^{r}. Tullie but slants on all the Gentlemen therein concern'd, for M^{r}. Cooke must either accuse them of injustice or indiscretion to pass an indiscreet judgment without due examination, & consideration, but if M^{r}. Cooke will give himself leave to recollect the severall passages without passion or self Interest he must remember with how much care & just caution that Gentleman who so worthily fills the [Cha]ir examin'd into the merits of the cause even in y^{e}. nicest particulars before he came to a determination (which whi[le] honest Men live will still redound to his reputation) notwithstanding the malicious blasts of Persons whose being and Support in a manner depends on perverting justice & deferring what they so much dread wch. I am sorry I cant help saying I beleive to be M^{r}. Cooke's case who is desirous as much as possible after acting so much injustice to put the evill day as far from him as he can. Wherefore I shall conclude wth. asking your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. Gentlemen's pardon for all freedom I have been forc'd to make use of on this Acco^{t}. and humbly submit the whole to y^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. Consideration, justice & Goodness & humbly hope as I have made no other demand on M^{r}. Cooke then what by his own confession is just & right (it being allow'd by him I had such Goods & that they were not bro^{t}. to Acco^{t}.) & the Worsp^{ll}. Mayor & Aldermen hav^{g}. after all due examination wth. the greatest care, caution & justice pronoũc'd judgment thereon as aforesaid, that y^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. Gentlemen will be pleas'd to confirm the Court judgment and likewise consider me as to allowing me land Interest on y^{e}. same for the time I have been out of said money being allow'd but 25 ℘ C^{t}. & the H. Comp^{a}. directing 30 to be paid for such Goods (as ℘ 7th. Parã of M^{r}. Cooke's declaration afores^{d}.) & on non complyance therewth. to grant me execution thereon as well as for y^{e}. damage I charge him wth. for severe imprisonment before orders arr^{d}. for so doing wch. will not only be of the utmost consequence to your injur'd Complainant but I hope will likewise carry an eternall reward of happyness wth. it, both here & hereafter as the Ministers of Justice that have not bor'n the Sword in vain but administred justice & assistance to the afflicted & oppressed & particularly to

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{T}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE Your most Obliged & Most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servt.

DEC^{R}. 11TH. 1721. JAMES MORRIS.

This evening dy'd the late Presid^{t}. Francis Hastings Esqr. 15

Dispatch'd ℘ Peons a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort William, 16
One to the Cheif & Council of Vizagapat^{m}. and one to M^{r}. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam all of this days date.

This evening rec^{d}. a Lett^{r}. from the Dartm^{os}. Wreck. —

Return'd an answer to the said Letter. —

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 18TH.

NATHLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.
NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
RANDLL. FOWKE. JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

The Accomptant reports the Fort St. David Cash and Merchts. Accots. for last month and the Resident of Metchlepatam September month's Accot. to be right.

ORDERD that Pags. 2796. 26. 58 be paid Suneha Ramah being due to him for a ballance of Fort St. David Merchts. Accots. for last month.

Petition of Thomas Harris Free Mercht. read asking leave to go to England on one of the Honble. Compas. Ships bound thither this season which was granted.

Petition of James Morris read (as enterd after this Consultation) desiring leave to go where his affairs may call him and that his Accots. with ye. Honble. Company may be adjusted and the Ballance paid him before Mr. Hubbard goes for the West Coast.

ORDER'D that the Accompt. do draw out Mr. Morris's Accot. and produce it to the Board the next Consultation.

Mr. James Hubbard lays before ye. Board a List of Papers belonging to Mr. Farmer in the Secrys. Office which are order'd to be deliver'd him.

Capt. Edward Elliston being return'd from the Dartmouth's Wreck,

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper with Messrs. Oadham and Fowke do examine the forty Chests of Silver being all that were recd. from Ship Dartmouth and deliver in their Report to the Board.

ORDER'D that four Chests of Mexico Dollars be sent down to Fort St. David in order to be shipt aboard the George Brigantine for the West Coast.

The Accomptant delivers in his Report of the debts upon ye. Genll. Books ballanc'd to the 30th. Aprill last in pursuance of an order of Consultation of the 4th. Inst. which is read and enter'd after this Consultation.

Capt. Mickelfield delivers in a request for 400 bags Salt Petre more than his former demand in order to make his Ship Sail worthy and adds that then he shall be ready to take in Bales which request is enter'd after this Consultation, And

AGREED that Capts. Edward Elliston and George Sanders with David Murray do survey the Marlbrô and make report of her Condition & if fit to proceed for Europe that the 400 bags be immediately loaded and that then we proceed to send the Honble. Company's bales on board.

The last Will and Testament of Francis Hastings Esqr. as also a Codicil thereto produc'd and read. The Wittnesses declaring upon oath that they saw the Testator sign, seal, publish and declare the one to be his last Will and the other a Codicil to that Will and that they beleiv'd him to be of sound mind and memory and that they sign'd as Wittnesses in the presence of the Testator and of each other, The said Will is orderd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

James Hubbard Storekeepr. reads his Accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 285. 29. 25 which he now pays in.

The Storekeepr. reports that when the Boat was overset in the Surf with the Soldiers that were order'd to the Southward a Grapnoll was lost.

AGREED that if the Boatmen do not find it and restore it, they shall be obliged to pay for the Same.

Mr. George Tullie Register of the Mayor's Court delivers in a Paper relating to an Aspersion flung on him by Mr. Thomas Cooke in his petition of Appeal (as enter'd after the Consultation of the 7th. Inst.) upon which Mr. Cooke was sent for & appearing, It was debated in his presence & determin'd that he should deliver in an

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acknowledgment in writing that he had no design to reflect on either the Court or Reg^r. which he accordingly did and It was Agreed that M^r. Tullie is clear of the Aspersion & that M^r. Cooke has acknowledg'd the same by his Reply.

N. Elwick.
Nath^ll. Turner.
Rich^d. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
George Drake.

In the name of God Amen I Francis Hastings Esqr. late Governour of Fort S^t. George on the Coast of Coromandell in the East Indies being at present weak in body but of sound mind and memory and considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of its approach do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

I give & bequeath to my dear Brother John Hastings Esqr. all my estate after the following Legacys are paid & in case of his death the same to the next heir in the Family. Imprimis

I give and bequeath to my dear Sister Mary Coward and in case of her death to her daughter Bridget Hamilton the Sum̃ of two thousand Pounds. Item

I give and bequeath to Delarobia Smith Daughter of my Eldest Brother William Hastings Esqr. the Sum̃ of one thousand Pounds. Item

I give and bequeath to my friend M^r. Richard Horden of Fort S^t. George the Sum̃ of five thousand Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my God daughter Cornelia Horden the Sum̃ of one thousand Pagodas to be put into y^e. Church of Madrass at Interest till She marrys and in case of her death before marriage I give the Same Principall and Interest to Ann Horden upon her marriage and if She dy's before that time to any of the Children that Survives. Item

I give and bequeath to my Loving Friend M^r. Joshua Draper of Fort S^t. George the Sum̃ of five thousand Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my Loving Friend M^r. Thomas Wright the Sum̃ of one thousand Pounds. Item

I give and bequeath to my old acquaintance M^r. William Kingtone Turky Merch^t. in London the Sum̃ of two thousand Pounds. Item

I give and bequeath to M^r. Thomas Wendey the Sum of one thousand Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my God Son Francis Fowke the Sum̃ of five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give & bequeath to my God daughter Mary Berriman the Sum̃ of five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give & bequeath to my God daughter Court the Sum̃ of Five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give & bequeath to M^r. Sands Davis of Fort S^t. George the Sum̃ of five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give & bequeath to my Steward James Tobbin the Sum̃ of five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my Musick William Zinzan and Richard Deakins the sum̃ of five hundred Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my Butler Thomas Newton the Sum̃ of three hundred Pagodas. Item

I give and bequeath to my Groom William Johnson the Sum̃ of one hundred Pagodas. Item

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LASTLY — THAT This my Will may be well and truely executed I desire M^{r}. Joshua Draper & M^{r}. Thomas Wendey to be Executors thereof and to render an exact Acco^{t}. of what they find me possess'd of at my decease as well as of all my Affairs in Generall to my Brother John Hastings Esqr. and I further desire of M^{r}. Joshua Draper and M^{r}. Thomas Wendey my Executors aforesaid that they will remit to my Brother John Hastings Esqr. the nett proceed of my effects as soon as they can collect them in after the Legacys abovementioned and my just debts are paid leaving it intirely to the discretion of my said Executors to remit it in such manner (that is to say by Bill of Exchange on the Company or otherwise) as they shall judge best and most expedient to be done.

AND now having dispos'd of all my worldly blessings which God was pleas'd to bestow on me, I resign my Soul into the hands of him [who gave it (hoping to enjoy a] most blessed resurrection thro[ugh the merrits of my Redeemer)] and my body to the earth to be [decently interr'd at the dis]cretion of my Executors M^{r}. [Joshua Draper & M^{r}. Thomas] Wendey as beforementioned to dis[burse and lay out what] to them shall seem convenient in [Funerall charges &] Mourning and again I earnestly [entreat my Executors] aforesaid punctually to comply with [this my Last] WILL AND TESTAMENT Revoking and [making void] all other Will or Wills that have been [heretofore by me] made, IN TESTIMONY whereof I have here[unto set] my hand & Seal in Fort S^{t}. George this 13th. day [of Novr. 1721].

FRANCIS HASTINGS.

SIGN'D SEALD PUBLISH'D AND DECLAR'D by Francis Hastings Esqr. to be his last Will & Testament and by us wittness'd in his presence and in the presence of each other where no Stampt Paper is to be had.

THOMAS COOKE.
JOHN POWNEY.
GEORGE TULLIE
Not^{ry}. Publ̃.
DUNCAN MUNRO.
JOHN RUSSON.
MICH : WILLSON
Atto : Jurat.

THIS CODICIL to my last Will & Testament bearing date the 13th. day of November 1721 WITNESSETH that besides the Legacys, bequests &c^{t}. in my said Will I give and bequeath unto M^{r}. Thomas Cooke the Sum̃ of one thousand Pagodas, ITEM I give and bequeath unto M^{rs}. Frances Johnson the Sum̃ of four hundred Pagodas which She is indebted to me in as by her Notes, ITEM I give & bequeath unto James Tobbin, William Zinzan, Rich^{d}. Deakins and Thomas Newton all my Wearing Apparell whatsoever and it is my Will and desire that this Codicill to my last Will and Testament be of equall force as my said Will and Testament, IN WITTNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand [and seal in] Fort S^{t}. George this 27th. day of Novr. 1721.

FRANCIS HASTINGS (*loco sig*)

[SIGN'D SEAL'D EXECU]TED & DECLARED [to be the Codicil to] his last Will and [Testament by] Francis Hastings Esqr. [where no] stampt Paper is to be had [in the] presence of us.

ABRAHAM OTGER.
WILLIAM LLOYD.
MICH : WILSON
Atto : Jurat.

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To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. &ct. Council.

The Petition of Thomas Harris

Sheweth

That your Petitioner finding the Country not agreeable to his Constitution requests he may be permitted to take his Passage upon any one of the Honble. Company's ships bound home this Season and yr. Petitioner shall ever pray.

Thomas Harris.

To Ditto

The Petition of James Morris

Humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner having serv'd his contracted time with the Honble. Company begs he may be discharg'd the same & have liberty of going elsewhere as his Affairs shall call him to get in what effects are due to him in order to his proceeding for Europe.

He likewise makes it his humble request to this Honble. Board that as Accots. have been a long time depending between the Honble. Company and your Petitioner that you'll please to appoint proper Persons to settle those Accots. with him before Mr. Hubbard proceeds for the West Coast who is well acquainted therewith and that on concluding the Same your Honr. &ct. Gentlemen will please to order the payment of the Ballance becoming due thereby and your Petitioner as in duty bound

Shall ever pray &ct.

To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble Sr. &ca.

In pursuance to your Honr. &cts. order of Council the [*lacuna*] Instant I now lay before you An Account of the debts due to the Honble. United English East India Compa. as they stand upon the Ballance of the Books ending in Aprill last except those that are running Accots. wch. I think needless to trouble you with.

	Pags.	fa.	Ca.
John Somers for Tale 45. 7. 3. 1. due from him in China for Custom paid there on his Accot. & was deducted out of the produce of his concern in the Stock in the Accomptants report deliver'd into Consultation the 9th. of February last but by mistake or oversight of the Secretary he was paid the full of his Concern in the Stock without any deduction.	43	12	73
Pera Powdermaker for embezlment in Salt Petre and Brimstone in the year 1712 (as ℘ Mr. Frederick's report and advis'd of in the Generall Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors 17th. Decr. 1716 when he was indebted Pags. 475. 35. 1) he is deceas'd but his Son acts in his employ & he is oblig'd to pay it by degrees (wch. the Storekeepr. is to see done) and the debt has been reduc'd to Pags. 337. 30. 40 as it stands on the Ballance of the Books in Aprill last.	337	30	40
William Martin } These three Articles arise from deficiencys in the Warehouse and	5366	1	31
Robert Raworth }	32001	14	22
Tonapah }	12078	8	66

of the Company's Cash at whilst Mr. Raworth was Depty. Govr.; have formerly been so particularly advis'd of to England the 17th. Decr. 1716 and are so well known to your Honr. &ct. that I need not trouble you with a recitall of the Severall articles that make up those Sums

6832 2 — Ponagettee Narso &ct. old Tobacco Farmers has been ever since the Ballance of the Books N ending Aprill 1715 for which they have given a bond to pay when they are able but there's no likelyhood of recovering any part thereof that I can hear of.

1513 24 26 Nairo Verona has stood ever since the Ballance of the Books Letter L ending Aprill 1713 and was advis'd of in the Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors Decr. 17th. 1716 that he was insolvent, was maintaind by his Cast being of a great family amongst them & as he is much respected by them the more favour was shown him, he still remains in the same Condition & I see no likelyhood of recovering any part of his debt. This debt & Ponagettee Narso's in the 10 Paragraph of the Accomptants Letter this year from England are directed to be wrote off to Profit and Loss but to be incerted at the end of the Journall that when opportunity offers a recovery may not be out of mind which shall be comply'd with on the close of next Books.

1498 10 70 Gruapa &cr. Arrack Farmers they ow'd on the Ballance of the Books in Aprill 1717 Pags. 2075. 24. 2 Accot. of that Farm since when Pags. 577. 13. 12 have been recd. at severall times for Houses and other effects sold at Outcry wch. makes their debt at present as abovemention'd & if your Honr. &ct. please may be wrote off to Profit & Loss and incerted at the end of the Journall, they being very poor and not able to pay any part thereof.

152 22 — Poncala Rajah Gopaul &cr. Farmers of the measuring duty for 2 mo. 7 rent of that farm from 13th. Augst. to 20th. Octr. 171[...] It is to be observ'd Mr. Draper made a report of this debt in Consultation the 8th. Augst. 1720, thô by a wrong Calculation he made it come to Pags. 170. 30 and the Secry. was order'd to collect it in, but nothing has been since recd. on this Accot. or any reason given why there was not, I beleive there may be some hopes of recovering this debt.

25 31 52 Estate of Elisha Ellill Decd. for Commission & charges drawn by Mr. Palmer on his Outcry at the West Coast which ought to have been deducted out of his estate before a Dividend had been made to his Creditors.

277 32 76 Estate of William Palmer Decd. for so much recd. by him on Accot. of Outcrys made at the West Coast for decd. Persons & other whose effects were taken into the Company's hands & sold by him over & above what his estate would answer at his decease.

5 30 36 Estate of Henry Garret for what paid him by Mr. Palmer for his passage to England & other Charges more than his Outcry produc'd, But it is to be noted he has a large Accot. depending with the Honble. Company in the West Coast Books, his estate having been seiz'd on their Accot.

I am with respect

Honble. Sr. &cr.

Fort St. George

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

18th. Decr. 1721.

Nathll. Turner

Accompt.

To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. of Fort St. George &cr. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

Being Attorney for Mr. James Morris I had the opportunity of perusing Mr. Thomas Cooke's paper of Appeal from the Mayor's Court to your Honr. &ct. in which I find so open an Attack upon my reputation that I am necessitated to give you this trouble in vindication thereof least by my Silence it may be taken to my prejudice when it comes before my Honble. Masters at home.

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M^r^. Cooke takes the Liberty of saying " M^r^. Newcome himself often told me " that he did not make any such declaration or had he any such meaning in what he " said but that his words were taken in a wrong sense and that he did not know in " what manner the order was worded, if he had he should have objected against it, " as he will declare to your Hon^r^. &c^t^. if sent for (and without reflecting on the Court) " It may as reasonably be Suppos'd that M^r^. George Tullie Register who was employ'd " as Attorney against me did form that order to my greater Prejudice.

I am not much surpriz'd at M^r^. Cooke's supposing me a Villain after the audacious falsity he tells your Hon^r^. &c^t^. just before which is so ungenerous in respect to M^r^. Newcome that I cannot forbear presenting the originall Notes pass'd between those Gentlemen on which he founds his story ; your Hon^r^. &c^t^. may please to observe that there is not the least mention of what he asserts, As to the judgment of Court it happen'd so particularly remarkable to the Bench by its being repeated twice that all the Gentlemen that sate there will if required asure your Hon^r^. &c^t^. it is exactly agreeable to what I enter'd in the register wch. I hope will clear me to you from M^r^. Cooke's " reasonable Supposition."

As the reasonable part of Mankind must think no man would venture at so ruinous a Supposition without a perfect knowledge of the Person, I humbly desire M^r^. Cooke may acquaint your Hon^r^. &c^t^. upon what foundation he had so ill an opinion of me as to think I would not only break through a solemn oath but run the risque of my place and all pretensions in the Honble. Company's Service to please the humour of a Client and that if in case he has done me injustice you will please to make him acknowledge it in a publick manner.

I am with the greatest Respect

Honble. S^r^. &c^t^.

Fort S^t^. George — Your most Obed^t^. Humble Servant

18th. Decr. 1721. — George Tullie.

M^r^. Newcome.

S^r^.

I desire you will advise me if M^r^. Morris's Goods were in the Warehouse or in the Storek^rs^. Godown when Marlbrô was burnt & let me know what you think proper for me to say to the Govr. & Council as to your declaration in Court that I prevented the Sale of the Goods because they should be no prejudice to the Sale of my own. I desire you will send me an answer because I am now drawing up a remonstrance of my Case against next Consultation And you'll oblige

Your most Hum^ble^. Servant

Decr. 5th. 1721. — Thomas Cooke.

M^r^. Cooke.

S^r^.

To the best of my remembrance M^r^. Morris's Goods lay in the Warehouse whe[n] Marlbrô was burnt and as to my declaration in Court I shall acquaint the Govr. & Council what I said if required. But I look upon it Judgment was given against you because there was no Acco^t^. given of them to this place & it was supposd the selling them at Outcry might be prejudiciall to y^e^. Sale of your own Goods. I am

Your Humble Servant

5th. Decr. 1721. — Stephen Newcome.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^t. Council.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

To convince you that I had no design of reflection in my paper deliver'd into the Board the 7th. Instant I desire you will have regard to the words therein express'd Viz. (without reflecting on the Court) to which Court I always understood the Register did appertain, I hope this will be satisfactory to your Hon^r. &c^t. and am

Honble. S^r. &c^t.

Fort St George — Your Obed^t. Hum^ble. Servt.

Decr. 18th. 1721. — Thomas Cooke.

To the Honble. Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. &c^t. Council of Fort S^t. George.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

I have rec^d. on board the eleven hundred Bags mentioned in my last request but beg your Hon^r. &c^t. would be pleas'd to order me four hundred bags which will make her sail worthy and very much oblige

Honble. S^r. &c^t.

Fort S^t. George — Yo^r. most Obedient Humble Servant

18th. Decr. 1721. — Rich^d. Mickelfield.

19 This night the late President Francis Hastings Esqr. was interr'd in a very handsome manner.

20 This morning early rec^d. a Letter from Lieut^t. Sutherland at Covatore giving an Account of Dindar Cawn's delivering up the European Sailors he had Prisoners at Chyore but resolv'd not to part with the Honble. Company's Bales upon which our Men advanc'd and rec^d. the first fire when one of our Europeans was shot dead, They then fell on and Kill'd severall of their enemy and by accident the house where all the Bales were lodg'd took fire and destroy'd them and some of Dindar Cawn's People after which our Men retreated.

Upon which news the President sent a Letter ordering them to make the best of their way hither and that he had sent Lieut^t. Willson with a party of fifty men in order to Secure their retreat.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 21st.

Nath^ll. Elwick Esqr. President & Govern^r.
Nath^ll. Turner. Rich^d. Benyon. Catesby Oadham.
Randall Fowke. James Hubbard.
George Drake.

Randall Fowke late Sea Customer pays into Cash Pag^s. 2614. 34. 62 being in full of the Ballance of his Sea Customer's Acco^t. ending the 30th. of September last.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him Pag^s. 1234. 7. 70.

Richard Benyon Export Warehousekeeper reads that Acco^t. for last month Ballance due from him Pag^s. 35. 26. 20.

Poncala Kisna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pag^s. 583. 12 for last month's rent of that Farm and Pag^s. 136. 24 for two month's rent of the measuring duty end^g. the 20th. Instant.

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James Hubbard Storekeeper being appointed Supravisor for the West Coast delivers over his Storekeeper's Acco^t^. Remains to M^r^. Fowke (he being order'd Provisionall Storekeep^r^. and to take charge thereof in his absence) copy of which is enter'd in a Book kept by the Accomptant for that purpose and interchangeably sign'd.

Capt. Edward Elliston, George Saunders and David Murray pursuant to order of last Consultation deliver in their report of the condition they find the Ship Marlbrô upon taking a Survey of her which is enter'd after this Consultation.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeep^r^. begin to lade Bales as soon as possible and that the Capt. be acquainted therewith.

ORDER'D that 15000 Pag^s^. be paid Suncha Ramah's Sett of Merchants Acco^t^. the running Contract, and that 10000 Pag^s^. be paid Gongaram & Tombee Chitty's Set of Merchants Acco^t^. their running Contract.

ORDER'D that the Warehousek^r^. do deliver Suncha Ramah for Meah Sahib four Chests of Silver at the rate of 14¼ Dol^rs^. ℔ 10 Pagodas he promising payment of the Same.

ORDER'D that the 20,000 Pagodas wch. were formerly design'd to be sent overland to Fort S^t^. David be sent upon the Martha Brigantine Ignacio Pacheco Mas[t^r^.] which is AGREED to be freighted for the sum of fifty Pagodas and that M^r^. James Hubbard &c^t^. Gentlemen design'd for the West Coast do go upon her, as also the four Chests of Mexico Dollars order'd in last Consultation for the use of the West Coast which are to be shipp'd on the George Brigantine now at Fort S^t^. David and on which M^r^. Hubbard with the rest of the Gentlemen are to embarque for the West Coast.

A CHARGE against M^R^. PYKE read & approv'd a copy whereof is order'd to be sent to the West Coast as enter'd after this Consultation.

M^R^. COOKE'S PETITION for leave to go to England read, enter'd and granted accordingly.

All gentle means having fail'd for the recovery of the Men and Bales from the King George's Wreck we were oblig'd to order M^r^. Lauder & Lieutenant Sutherland to use force if the Moors would not comply with our demand. The Heathcote, it being late in the Season, we order'd to make the best of her way for Madrass and sent the Lusitania a Ship of about nine hundred Tons to the Dartmouth's Wreck in order to take in the Men, and Stores and fall down to the Southward where the King George was lost and there land them. In pursuance of which order they march'd against Chyore and on Wednesday morning last we rec^d^. a Letter from the Camp acquainting us that they had been necessitated to attack Dindar Cawn and that He with severall others were burn'd in a house where all the Bales were, but that they had deliver'd the People belonging to the King George and finding the Town deserted they set it on fire and march'd for Sadrass having taken ten prisoners and 6 Horses which they were bringing with them. On this advice we tho^t^. proper to order Lieut^t^. Wilson with 50 Men to march in order to Support Lieut. Sutherland in case the Moors from Chyore shou'd rally or any others in the Country should rise upon them, the two Partys joyn'd on Wednesday night at Ball Chittys Choultry a place about 18 miles from hence and proposd to be here in the Evening.

ORDERD that Suncha Ramah be p^d^. Pag^s^. 1307 fa. 23. Ca. 65 ballance of his Fort S^t^. David contract dated March 30th. 1720 wch. Acco^t^. was reported the 11th. Sepr. last but the money omitted to be paid.

N. ELWICK.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
[*Lacuna*].
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FFOWKE.
GEORGE DRAKE.

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To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. of Fort St. George &cr. Council.

Honble. Sr. &cr.

The Honble. Company having been pleas'd to dismiss me their Service I desire you will permit me to take my Passage for England on Ship Marlbrô & that you will please to give me an order to the Capt. to receive me with my necessarys on board.

And thô I cannot properly say I have clear'd all Accots. with the Company nevertheless as you are sensible my debt remaining due to them is for Silver sold out of the Warehouse to the late Governour Francis Hastings Esqr. for wch. your Honr. &ct. have been pleas'd to accept of an Assignment of his Concerns in Shipping abroad by him made over to me and by me made over to the Honble. Company for security of my debt, Besides which Assignment you have a note undr. his hand that he will be accountable for all the silver sold wch. note alone renders his whole Estate answerable for the Same and as a further security you will have the overplus of his Assignment to you for his deficiency in the Cash, my debt is very considerably lessen'd already and in all probability ye. Security will become five times the amount of the remainder of the debt in less than two months more, if the Shipping arrive as are daily expected and your Honr. &ct. having granted Mr. Hastings himself (before his decease) Liberty to go for England, I hope you will not detain me here on Account of my debt to the Company for which you have so large a Security; I likewise desire your Honr. &ct. will order your Accomptant (after this debt is discharg'd) to give a Certificate to my Attorneys that I do not stand indebted to the Honble. Company on their Generall Books; In which you will very much oblige

Fort St. George
21st. Decr. 1721.

Your obedt. Humble. Servt.
Thomas Cooke.

To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.

Honble. Sr.

In obedience to your Honrs. commands we have been aboard Ship Marlbrô and find her firm & Strong and in good Condition to receive the Honble. Company's Bales &ct. on board & proceed her Voyage for England.

Honble. Sr.
Your most Humble. & Obedt. Servts.
Edward Elliston.
George Sanders.
David Murray.

Fort St. George
18th. Decr. 1721.

Articles of Charge exhibited by the Honourable Nathaniel Elwick Esqr. President & Governour of Fort St. George & Fort St. David & the West Coast of Sumatra &cr. Council against Isaac Pyke Esqr. Deputy Governour for the Honble. Company's affairs on the West Coast for breach of orders and other indirect management.

1. That the said Isaac Pyke has unwarrantably enter'd upon a design of flinging off all subordinacy to this Presidency & has assum'd to himself a power of acting at the West Coast in defiance & contempt of our authority and contrary to the orders he hath recd. from the Honble. Company this very year in their Letter by the Goodfellow, that he has gloss'd over & evaded the meaning of the orders therein and the better to do this he has alter'd ye. words of the Letter from the Honble. Court of

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Directors in the Copy he Sent us of it in his Consultation Book, that in pursuance of this design he has by Letters to his Subordinates endeavoured to Spirit them up and engage them in the same evill intentions with himself & severely & unjustly dealt with those who offer'd to oppose him in his unjustifiable proceedings & that in further pursuance of this design he has assum'd to himself a power of admitting people to the Service without the least Liberty granted him for so doing.

This article is fully prov'd in that he writes to Moco Moco (Copy of wch. Letter is enter'd in his Consultation of the 22d. of May last) that the Company have appointed him Govr. & that if any should be sent over him from hence they shou'd be sent back again, whereas the Company only say that if Mr. Pyke be at the West Coast & any one should have been sent over him they should return back wch. could not be with any justice interpreted to mean those who should hereafter be sent thither which he himself seems sensible of and has therefore in the copy of the Good fellow's Letter in his Consultation Book sent us alter'd the words "should have been" to "should be" thereby as t'is reasonable to suppose endeavourg. to prevent our sending any one to inspect into his management, his ill usage of those who oppos'd him is plain from Mr. Shelley's Letter to the late Presidt. wherein he complains of the ill usage he has met with & that whenever he offers to Speak about the Company's affairs he is insulted & abus'd with scandalous Language and his taking People into the Service appears from Mr. Chattaliers being admitted to Council and from the 9th. Paragraph of his Letter where it is said he offer'd two young Gentlemen belonging to the Shipping to make them Factors but that they refus'd to accept it on Accot. of the sicklyness of the Place.

2d. THAT he detain'd the Addison three months & the Dartmouth four months at the West Coast without any the least occasion for them & for no other reason but to conceal his actions from us the longer & then dispatch'd the latter to us in the very worst time of the year whereas had she been dispatch'd thence in July she might have been here time enough to go for Europe before her demorage commenc'd.

3d. THAT in pursuance of the same design of concealing his Actions from us he detain'd the Metchlepatam, Young Derby and Goodfellow as Guard Ships thô as he himself confesses t'was then a time of full peace & consequently he could have no need of them.

4th. THAT notwithstanding he had these three Vessells there he sent the Perry Brigantine belonging to himself on a Voyage to Batavia to purchase Stores on the Compas. Accot. and paid out of their Cash 400 Dollars ℔ month for her freight & demorage which Stores they could not be so much in need of as not to wait the return of the Derby from Moco Moco or the Metchlepatam from Sillebar which last Place is but four or five Leagues off or if those two Vessels could not be Spard they might have waited till the Good fellow was unladen & these are all the reasons given in his Consultation of the 18th. May for entertaining her or rather continuing her in the Service he having before paid 1200 Dollars for Jan: Feb: & Mar: tho we cannot find that She did any Service for it.

5th. THAT he hath extravagantly squander'd away the Honble. Compas. money in Salary, diet & allowances more than were ever before made & exceeding those approv'd of & appointed by the Company.

1st. This appears from his continuing all Mr. Chataliers allowances for diet &ct. when on the Voyage to Batavia notwithstanding he charg'd 5 ℔ Ct. Commission on the Investment besides 223·24 for charges Merchandize under which we may reasonably beleive his Expences on Shore were included.

2dly. That he pays himself in the Cash Accot. enter'd after Consultation of the 20th. July, 300 £s. ℔ annum as Depty. Governr. & in the Paymasters Accot. monthly 33. 1. 33 as Capt. of the Military wch. makes 100 £s. more ℔ an. whereas the Compa. allow but 100 £s. as Depty. Govr. & 100 £s. as Capt. of the Military.

3dly. He allow'd Mr. Shelley 30 Dollars ℔ mo. & his wife 15 for diet whereas the establishment approv'd by the Compa. is but 25.

4^{thly}. He charges for his own diet 300 Dollars ℘ m^{o}. wch. allow'd by the Company is but 190.

5^{thly}. That he allows the Europe Cap^{ts}. 30 Dollars ℘ m^{o}. diet thô he insists on the 300 himself because he is oblig'd to keep a table for them and the better sort of Strangers.

6^{thly}. He charges 9 Dollars ℘ m^{o}. for table linnen wch. ought not to be allow'd as he receives diet money.

Besides many other things too large here to enumerate.

These & some other extravagant allowances for diet are continued in the Paymaster's Acco^{ts}. for May and June thô the Comp^{as}. Letter by the Goodfellow was rec^{d}. wherein the Sums to be allowd every one are particularly express'd.

6. That he has increasd the number of Military Officers to a much higher degree than ever were known before by which means the Company's expences are very considerably augmented.

This appears by the Paymasters Acco^{ts}. for May and June where we find charg'd 4 Lieutenants & we have reason to beleive there is one more at Moco Moco since we find M^{r}. Cartwright set down in the Sick list as a Lieuten^{t}. thô by the Comp^{as}. Letter it does not appear than any more than one Viz. Lieut^{t}. Jeddere was sent from England & only Lieut^{t}. Nangle from hence, in the Paymasters Acco^{ts}. for June he charges 120 Dollars for 5 months pay for an Engineer without naming him when there was none sent either from hence or England in that Station.

Another Instance of the truth of this allegation is y^{t}. in the same Paymaster's Acco^{t}. he charges two Gunners at 20 Dollars each & 5 Gunners Mates at 10 Dollars whereas there never us'd to be more than 1 Gunner at 20 and 1 Mate at ten.

7. That he in direct Contradiction to the Comp^{as}. orders has paid the Buggueze Soldiers & Cooleys & for Materials for Buildings with Cloth at very extravagant rates by wch. means the Comp^{a}. expence is very much increas'd.

That he hath been very lavish in his Presents to the Country People & the Goods so presented are excessively overrated whereas the Company order no presents shall be made but in their own Goods & if they have none by them the Presents shall be deferr'd till Supplys come from Fort S^{t}. George.

The same overate appears in his cloathing the Slaves with his own Goods wch. the Comp^{a}. have in all their Letters for these 3 or four years particularly forbid.

The truth of the allegation in the first part of this Article is plainly seen by his own Letter to us ℘ Dartm^{o}. The second relating to presents to the Country People & overcharges of the Goods by the Paymasters Acco^{ts}. for January, February & March where he gives away to the amount of 2351 Dollars besides 522 before given away in the month of Decr. Damasks are charg'd at 30 Doll^{rs}. Ginghams at 8, Surat Chints at 4, embroider'd Sattin at 80 ℘ piece, Taffitys Bengall 1st. Sort at 10, 2^{d}. Sort at 8, Gold Chints 30, these are all at double what they could cost and the other articles are in proportion.

As to the third particular he charges as ℘ Paymast^{rs}. Acco^{ts}. for Jan: Feb: & March 245 Dollars for cloathing of 62 Slaves most of which is Cambays at 50 Dollars ℘ Corge whereas those sent from hence by the Metchlepatam are invoic'd at but Pag^{s}. 7. 13. 40. which is about one fifth part of what he has charg'd.

That notwithstanding the Company have often forbid the buying Stores out of Country Ships at extravagant rates yet the said Isaac Pyke has severall times been guilty of that fault, in particular in the month of December 1720 he bought a parcell of Stores to the amount of 5502 Dollars of which 3707 are for Stores &c^{t}. out of the Perry and Derby wherein he charges for 28 Casks of pork 1680 Doll^{rs}. which 28 Casks we are very well inform'd did not cost him 500 rupees in Bengall, so that on

this he gains above 650 ℔ Cent, Gue 14 Jars 210 Dollars, which in Bengall seldom costs more than 9 rupees ℔ jar, Fine rice 200 bags at 3 Dollars ℔ bag the Curr^{t}. price whereof is generally about one rupee Madrass ℔ bag which is about 500 ℔ c^{t}. advance, Wheat 75 bags at 5 Dollars which generally stands in Bengall at about 1½ rup^{s}. a bag, Fine Wax Candles at 30 Dollars ℔ maund without saying whether Madrass or Bengall Maunds, if the former he makes about 400 ℔ Cent, if the latter about 100, Gunnys 25 Corge at 3 Dollars ℔ Corge which cannot cost him above 5 Doll^{rs}. ℔ 100 in Bengall so that he by this gets 200 ℔ Cent.

At a Consultation

Present

Nathan^{ll}. Elwick Esqr. President & Governour.

Nath^{ll}. Turner. Catesby Oadham.

John Emmerson. Randall Fowke.

Monday the 25th. 6 in the evening.

Petition from M^{r}. Richard Horden read as enter'd hereafter.

Agreed that M^{r}. Richard Horden do deliver to the Board in writing such Questions as he desires may be ask'd Poncala Moodu. Whereupon M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Horden was call'd in & accordingly deliver'd in the questions which he proposed should be ask'd the said Poncalo Moodu sign'd by himself.

Resolv'd that the Queries of M^{r}. R^{d}. Horden be translated into the Country Languages by y^{e}. Sworn Dubash that Poncala Moodu may the better understand them and that the said Poncala Moodu do in writing & under his own hand deliver an answer to the said severall Queries of M^{r}. Horden's in Consultation to morrow morning at eight a Clock.

N. Elwick.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: ffowke.
George Drake.

To the Honble. Nath^{ll}. Elwick Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

I humbly desire your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will please to permit me to ask some few Questions to Poncala Moodu in the presence of your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. I am with great respect

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

Your most Obed^{t}. Humble Servt.

Rich^{d}. Horden.

Fort S^{t}. George
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AT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY THE 26TH.

Present

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHANIEL TURNER. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. GEORGE DRAKE.

PONCALA MOODU pursuant to order of yesterdays Consultation delivers his answer to the severall Queries mentioned therein to our cheif Dubash which is enter'd after this and is declar'd by him to be exactly translated from Poncala Moodu's answer wrote with his own hand.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam ℘ Brigant: Recovery read dated 20th. Inst. as also one of the same date ℘ Sloop Dartmo. the former inclosing Invoice and bill of Lading for 150 Bales, the latter Invoice and bill of Lading for 18 on board the respective Vessells; by the Brigantine came also Copys of their last year's Paymasters Accounts.

ORDER'D that the Bales on the Brig: Recovery & Sloop Dartmouth be forthwith unladen.

Sign'd a Commission constituting Mr. James Hubbard Supravisor of the West Coast, As also a Genll. Letter for the West Coast to go with the Supravisor on the George Brigantine.

Catesby Oadham Sea Customer reads his Acco t. for last month Viz.

Custom on Goods Exported and imported	Pags.	524	30	40

Ballance due from him Pag. 2723. 13. 50, of which he pays in Pags. 1000.

John Emmerson Paymaster his Accot. for last month read, Viz.

Charges Garrison	2007	26	35
Charges Generall	849	22	10
Garden Bridge	26	24	40
Bombay Presidency	50	—	—
Horse Furniture	3	30	—
Charges Cattle	157	3	65
Repairs of Fortifications	132	—	20
Charges Diet	389	13	40
Diet & Stores laid in	493	28	41
Charges extraordinary	597	15	74
Pags.	4707	21	5

Ballance due to him Pags. 1707. 21. 5 which is paid him.

Upon examining the extraordinary Expence of last month we find it to arise from the following particulars.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY For the Widows Cowse, Burton & Children				Pags.	50	—	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY							
Provisions for Francis Hastings Esqr. As ℘ Steward's Note	174	13	39				
Do. For the Soldiers that went to look for the Wrecks of Ships Dartmouth & King George as ℘ Steward's Accot.	378	11	75				
Wax Cloth for the Arms and Ammunition.	16	9	—				
Diet for 8 Prisoners	8	—	—				
Water for the Soldiers at Egmore and Out Guards	5	15	—				
					582	13	34
				[Pags.	632	13	34]

NATHANIEL ELWICK.
NATHANIEL TWINER [TURNER].
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
GEORGE DRAKE.

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QUERY 1ST.

Whether the Person now before you whether his name be Poncala Moodu.

ANSWER 1ST.

My name is Poncala Moodu.

QUERY 2D.

Whether at or about the time that Rajah Gopaul was imprisoned if he borrow'd of me any Sum of money or to what amount.

ANS. 2D.

About two or three months after he had been imprisoned I did borrow of Mr. Richard Horden to the amount of fifteen hundred Pagodas.

QUERY 3D.

If he answers he did borrow whether he carry'd it out of my house.

ANS. 3D.

I did borrow said Sum and carry'd it out of his house

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RICHD. HORDEN.

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECR. 25TH. 1721.
Sign'd by

PONCALA MOODU.

Dispatcht a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort St. David of this day's date. 27

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

NATHANLL. ELWICK ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNOUR.

NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON. CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON. RANDALL FOWKE. GEORGE DRAKE.

THURSDAY THE 28TH.

Petition from the Ostend Gentlemen [that] came Passengers from Bencoolen on the Dartmouth [read], desiring leave to go to England on the Heathcote, be[ing ten] persons in number.

Petition of the Ostend Gentlemen desiring liberty to go to Europe on the Heathcote which is granted.

AGREED that their Petition be granted.

The President produces a List of [such part of the] King George's Cargo as came ashore at [Chyore & was] seiz'd upon by Dindar Cawn Phousdar of [said place as enter'd] after this Consultation which List was [given the Presidt.] by a Braminy Collector of the Cawn Gohee duty nam'd DASHUE who was gone down there to collect said dutys in and was at Dindar Cawn's at the time our People attack'd him and they brought the said Braminy away with them as also nine other Prisoners. The Braminy having given us a genuine Accot. of the Honble. Company's effects in Dindar Cawn's possession and likewise having been very kind to the English prisoners in Supplying them with provisions

AGREED that he be set at liberty and that his horse be return'd him as also all such other Prisoners as shall appear not to have been aiding or assisting to Dindar Cawn.

Agreed that he have his liberty, likewise those prisoners who appear not to have been assisting to Dindar Cawn.

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On the 26th. Inst. at the request of the Executors of Francis Hastings Esqr. the Board deliver'd to them the bulse of Diamonds which they publickly sold at ye. house of the late deceas'd by Outcry which said bulse was sold for Pags. 13650 to Mr. Joshua Draper and the money paid into the Honble. Company's Cash in part of the debt and to lessen the advancing Interest.

Mr. Farmer's petition read and enter'd after ys. Consultation, Order'd that Messrs. Farmer and Morris's Accots. be forthwith drawn out as they stand in ye. Honble. Compas. Books and laid before the Board and that we do come to some resolutions before the dispatch of these Ships about referring them home for our Honble Masters decision.

The President informs the Board that in a private Letter from Mr. Jennings he has advices that ye. Heathcote is now at Fort St. David the 26th. at 1 P.M.

Agreed that if the Heathcote should remain at Fort St. David till the arrivall of the Tappys from hence She be detain'd there till she be shifted in order to which we shall freight a Vessell with Salt Petre & Redwood agreeable to the Captain's demands in order for her takeing in what Bales they have ready and stowing them away for her voyage and that the said Vessell in her return may take in such part of the Heathcote's Coals, Lead and Iron as she can bring with her and the rest must be put ashore at Fort St. David, except the Lusitania should be by the same accident drove down near her, When the Heathcote has got what bales they have ready at Fort St. David She may make the best of her way for this place but in case she should fail of an opportunity we shall take care to send down sufficient from hence to load her.

According to the above agreement we immediately dispatch'd directions to Fort St. David and order'd them to be put in execution without loss of time.

The Ships being near their departure it was thought necessary to examine the List of Investment recd. this year to see what additions were to be made And, Order'd that the Warehousekeeper lay before the Board the State of the severall running Contracts the next Consultation.

Mr. Francis Hugonin pays into Cash Pags. 5603 for our first, second, & third bill of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to Mr. Thomas Harris or his order.

Mr. Thomas Way pays into Cash Pags. 300 for our first, second & third Bill of Exchange of this days date on the Honble. Court of Directors payable to Mrs. Grace Orrill or her order.

Richard Benyon Import Warehousekr. pays into Cash Pags. 11115. 4. 60 for 4 Chests of Pillar Dollars weighing 1162 lb. 8 oz. sold Meah Sahib at $14\frac{1}{4}$ Dollars ℔ 10 Pagodas as ℔ order of Consultation the 21st. Instant.

Randall Fowke Land Customer pay's into Cash Pags. 152. 17. 36 being the Ballance of his last month's Account.

Messrs. Benyon, Oadham and Fowke agreeable to an ordr. of Consultation of the 18th. Instant deliver in their report of the 40 Chests of Treasure recd. ℔ Ship Dartmouth which Report is enter'd hereafter.

N. Elwick.
Nathll. Turner.
Richd. Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
John Emmerson.
Rand: Ffowke.
George Drake.

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To the Honble. Nath^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. of Fort S^t^. Geo^r^ &c^t^. Council.

The humble Petition of

Peter Reintjens	*Chaplain*
William Vanderhaute	*Supracargo*
Adrian Van Bruren	*2^d^. Supracargo*
Jacobus Dias, J. J. Beert	*Clerks*
Elias Kintsing	*Mate*
Jacobus Verenkerck	*Boatmen*
Peter Billemonts, Francis De Horne	*Valets*
Walrare Juvenus	*Boatman*

Sheweth

That your Petitioners belonging to a Ship call'd the Flandria taken and detain'd by M^r^. Issac Pyke Governour of the West Coast having an earnest desire to go to Europe in the Ship Heathcote Capt. Tolson Comm^r^. it being as it is said to be dispatch'd hence the first do humbly request your Hon^r^. &c^t^. Council would please to give them leave to proceed for Europe on said Ship.

And your Petitioners shall ever pray.

The following Goods were drove ashore, at Cuddalore, from the King George's Wreck.

Betteelas	Pieces	80
Long cloth blew		80
Ginghams		3
Morees		1663
	In all	1826 Pieces

One Large Gun.
20 Bundles of Canes.
250 Tea Boards.
3 Silver Spoons.
1 Small Silver Box.
116 Buttons for Cloaths.
1 Emerald Ring.
3 Diamonds.

Sign'd by

Dashue.

To the Honble. Nath^ll^. Elwick Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. of Fort S^t^. George &c^t^. Council.

Honble. S^r^. &c^t^.

The just reason I have to hope for redress of my [Sufferings] thrô the happy turn of Affairs have met wth. in the change of Governm^t^. by the Care Providence has shown in putting it into such hands whose goodness & justice I am so well assured of, occasions my laying the following particulars before you wherein I have been so great a sufferer thrô the oppression of M^r^. Cooke who contrary to all justice seiz'd my Person & Goods [before] any orders could arrive for so doing from hence to the amount of Dollars 5385 on pretence of making a fresh dividend of my Goods between Mr Shyllinge and my self, alledging that [I] had taken most of the course Goods to my own use and gi[ven] M^r^. Shyllinge most of the fine for wch. I then told M^r^. Cooke [I had] Done no more than what was agreeable to our Contract of p[artn]ership that whoever made the first breach in said Cov[enants] should forfeit y^e^. Sum of 4000 Dollars and on a dividend of the Goods the party wrong'd should take those Sorts he bro^t^. into joynt Stock, Now as my Goods that I bro^t^. from Fort S^t^. George were most [of] them course & fit for the Market and M^r^. Shylli[nge's most of] them fine & not vendible having lain in the [Godowns] there for many years, I humbly hope your Hon^r^. [&c^t^. will] esteem my case to be very hard to be

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oblig'd contrary to the agreement to take his old fine Goods for my new Course [goods] wch. were a great deal better for the market and as I trusted the whole management of this joint affair to him till his Suspension, I then found he had wrong'd me in a considerable Sum which besides my self can be prov'd by Mr. Deane who kept my Accots. and Mr. Bayley who are now at ye. West Coast, by this means Mr. Shyllinge broke the agreement & as I have sent his Bonds to England to prosecute him there at Law for the Same I shall not trouble your Honr. &ct. therewith.

On the 17th. Novr. 1718 Mr. Cooke orderd a seizure of all my Goods & Effects of every kind that was remaining which was put in execution soon after my household Goods were put to Outcry where most of the things were sold at an under rate, especially my Marble tables with gilded and lacquer'd frames, my Chair or Sedan which when I went to the West Coast, cost me Pagodas 15 to Mr. Cadham and afterwards making 3 [Glass sashes] with lacquering and gilding stood [me] in about 50 Dollars which Sum Mrs. Ballett offer'd to give me before t'was put to Outcry but not having the Liberty to dispose of it she orderd Mr. Busfeild or Mr. Bayley to bid to that Sum but alledging that Mr. Cooke bid for it they dard not advance upon him, so he bought it for 15 Dollars, my house call'd the Hermitage for wch. I gave Mr. Shyllinge 800 Dollars was sold for 480, the difference thereon being 320 Dollars I presume he ought to be answerable for the Same, I likewise Sustain'd a very great loss by leakage of severall Casks of Arrack by Mr. Cooke's sealing up my Godowns for which I was forc'd to make satisfaction to the Chinaman. I had also 5 Chests of Palm Wine about which Mr. Cooke Sent me word in case I would dispose of them to him for Dollars 7 ℔ Dozn. and let Capt. Martin Commr. of the Queen have all my Arrack at prime Cost, which was Dollars 32 ℔ Leaguer for above 40 Leaguers both should not be enter'd in the Inventory of [my] Goods which I was necessitated to do, not having wherewithall to pay my debts, tho: Mr. Cooke took from [me] in ready money and what he recd. before my com[ing] away near 5000 Dollars but not one would he allow [me], this I humbly conceive shows the unjustness of Mr. Cookes proceedings for if I merited to have my Goods [&ct. seiz'd] on for the Company's Accot. why should these particulars be more excusable than the rest, but tis plain Mr. Cooke was to be a gainer by them wch. was sufficient at that time for any injustice, therefore I humbly hope yr. Honr. &ct. will take the just demerits of this fact under your Consideration and order the just delinquent to receive his due reward.

When Mr. Cooke was making my Outcry he sent Mr. Newcome to me to demand a parcell of Garden seeds wch. Capt. Browne sent me from the Cape. I told Mr. Newcome that I desired to be excus'd the delivery of them by reason I was then a dividing of them and that I design'd a share of them as to each sort for Mr. Cooke and the rest to be divided among the Italian Padrees & others that I had promised, but Mr. Newcome soon return'd with severall Coffree Slaves to bring them away by force which was done accordingly and the Seeds sold at Outcry for Dol 2. Su 2 on Mr. Newcome's telling Mr. Cooke that I did not care to deliver the Garden Seeds when sent for, he was heard by severall to say in an insulting manner that he had orders to seize on all my estate and as the seeds were part of it, so he would not be obliged to me for them but seize on them by force according to his Will and pleasure, there are many more such like Instances which I could enumerate in Sundry barbarous disgraces & treatment[s] relating to my confinement as well as fixing Papers at the Severall Gates of Fort Marlbrô against me & searching & taking away the most materiall Papers I had by me which are not returnd (nor like to be) to this very day, but fearing to be esteem'd troublesome I shall at present say no more on those Subjects but intirely leave them to be determin'd in another Place.

Sometime before my Goods were seiz'd on Mr Cooke came to my house at the Hermitage alone by himself where he stay'd pretty late, among other discourse that happen'd he then offer'd to buy my piece Goods of me if I would sell them for 12 or 14 ℔ Cent, profit or thereabouts but that being too low a price for what I could sell them we came to no agreement, which I beleive to be the true reason that he afterwards set so low a value on them which in some particulars were above 700 ℔ Ct. and in others from above 100 to 70: 60 & 50 ℔ Cent less than prime Cost, this

oppression I humbly hope your Hon^r^. &c^t^. will please to consider me in and grant me justice against said M^r^. Thomas Cooke whom I hope will be esteem'd the Person answerable for said under Charge for tis plain would I have sold them to him it would not have been so and had I had the Liberty of selling them to the Malays they would have yeilded a great deal more as ℔ the accompanying Account.

About the middle of October 1719, M^r^. Jennings brought me an account current, as also M^r^. Cooke's account of my goods, with their prices & quantitys, which are very erroneous in both, 'tis probable this might happen thrô the neglect of M^r^. Cooke, by thinking I had no account of my own goods, but he will find to the Contrary by the accounts now produc'd, all which are submitted to the determination of the Honble. President &c^a^. humbly desiring that M^r^. Cooke may be oblig'd to produce his account of my goods that the said affair may be settled in the best manner that it possible after the Confusion which he has made in said account & hope he will be made accountable for any damage that may accrue thereon.

In M^r^. Cooke's account of my debts (whether by design or not I cannot tell) he has omitted to give me credit for 315 Dollars being for 1½ Chest of Oppium sold by me to Capt Misenor at Dollars 210 per Chest, which Oppium was part of what Capt. Irving and I had in partnership. M^r^. Cooke may well remember that he order'd Capt. Misenor not to pay the produce of said Oppium to me, but to himself, notwithstanding which Capt. Misenor knowing he could not answer the payment of said money to M^r^. Cooke refused it without I gave him an order under my hand so to do, which at that time (thrô the Constraint I was under) I was obliged to acquiesce & submitt to on any terms. This is such a remarkable instance & took up so much time before it could be concluded that I am obliged to say it looks more like design then mistake, & I am surpriz'd that M^r^. Cooke should want something to rub up his memory on this subject, whereas it has on other occasions, less materiall, prov'd quick & volatile.

In my acco^t^. curr^t^. of M^r^. Cooke's making up at random, he specifies 1906 Dollars as bad debts & irrecoverable, whereas if I had not been sent off the shore by force, or if M^r^. Cooke had not so unhandsomely deserted the Settlements on the West Coast by which means according to the example set them severall persons fled to Batavia, Java &c^a^. I am well assured that I could have recovered those debts, but as the preventing it is wholly thrô Mr Cooke's management, he is intirely answerable for the same, & therefore beg justice against him accordingly.

M^r^. Cooke in excuse for his severe usage & unjust proceedings against myself & others, pretends that what he transacted therein was by authority from hence, thô I am thoroughly persuaded whatever pow'r was given to him there never was anything else intended thereby then that M^r^. Cooke should take my goods &c^a^. on the Company's account and to render a fair & just acc^t^ thereof of Fort St George & in all other respects to act according to justice & equity, & if M^r^. Cooke has deviated from these orders, then the blame thereof lyes at his door, & he is responsible for breach of orders, by assuming an Authority to himself repugnant to the power given him which still makes him the more liable to make good any damages that may have accru'd thrô such proceedings, & I humbly hope your Hon^r^. &c^a^. will make said M^r^. Cooke answer for them to deterr others from attempting the like. Thus Gentlemen I have in some measure endeavour'd to lay before you the grievances I have in part sustain'd by M^r^. Cooke's undervaluation of my goods, & not giving me due credit for what he rec^d^. on my account, thô 'tis impossible to relate a great part of my sufferings by imprisonment at Fort Marlbrô, by seizing most of my materiall papers & acco^ts^. by affixing papers at the severall Gates of Fort Marlbrô to disgrace me, by transporting me a prisoner to Fort S^t^. George on the George Brigantine & by Confinement at Fort S^t^. George for near a year, besides sundry pawns sold at an under rate in Fort S^t^. George, & the undervaluation of my house called The Hermitage, the severall acco^ts^. relating to these Affairs with M^r^. Thomas Cooke are now most humbly submitted to your Hon^r^. &c^as^. Consideration & Justice. I remain.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Fort S^t^. George — your most humble & most obed^t^. servant

21st Decr. 1721. — Rich^d^. Farmer.

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To the Honble. Nathll. Elwick Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

We have examined the Forty Chests of treasure received by the Dartmouth, & find but Twenty four Chests with the Marks in the Europe Invoice, the other sixteen we judge to have been laden aboard at the West Coast tho' the Marks do not exactly agree with the Bill Lading receiv'd from thence. The Twenty four Chests mark'd with the Company's mark are number'd & contain vizt:

	Chests			lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.
3.4	2		French Crowns each ...	290	8	581	4		
6	1		Ditto			290	8		
8 @ 13	6		Ditto			1744	—		
17	1		Ditto			290	8		
19	1		Ditto			290	8		
	—	11						3197	4
61 @ 66	6		Estimates			1744	—		
75	1		Ditto			290	8		
77	1		Ditto			290	8		
79. 80. 81	3		Ditto			872	—		
83. 84	2		Ditto			581	4		
	—	13						3778	8
		24	Chests				lb.	6976	—

The other sixteen Chests are mark't vizt:

	Chests			lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.	lb.	oz.
N. 21	1	1	French Crowns			290	8		
B 32		1	Ditto			290	8		
Bencoolen N. 32		1	Ditto Duccatoons ...	115	—				
			French Crowns	175	8	290	8		
N. 1		1	Ditto French Crowns			290	8		
3		1	Ditto			290	8		
D. N. 1		1	Duccatoons			220	8		
3		1	Ditto			290	8		
N. 4		1	French Crowns			290	8		
5 @ 12		8	Duccatoons			2325	4		
		16	Chests				lb.	4650	8

We are
Honble. Sr. &ca.
Your most Humble Servants
Richard Benyon.
Catesby Oadham.
Randall Fowke.

Fort St. George
28th. December 1721.

28th. Dispatch'd A G. Lettr. to the D. G. & Council of Fort St. David.
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